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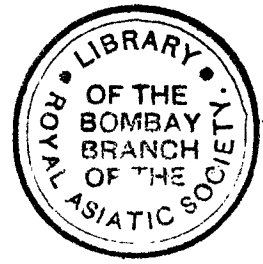


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EGMORE,
*14th November* 1932.

P. MACQUEEN,
*Curator, Madras Record Office.*

# RECORDS OF FORT ST. GEORGE

## TELLICHERRY CONSULTATIONS
## 1726-27

### VOLUME II.

[*From 1st August 1726 to 19th July 1727.*]

[*Earlier portions of the Consultation lost.*]

Receiv'd a Letter from the Hõnble President & Council of Madras[s] of the 1st. July in answer to ours of the 21st. May expressing a Concern at the French's Success, but they are advised from Pondicherry there will be only one Ship out this Season, & Consequently but a Trifling Force, so that they hope for a Decline in their affairs, whenever they learn any thing Material they promise to advise us. MONDAY 1ST.

Receiv'd a Letter from our Callicutt Linguist, Informing us that the Ministers of Boyanore sent to the Samorine were kindly Treated, & assured of his Favour, but to talk more distinctly of matters, 'tis necessary some Superiour people be sent, which he thinks Boyanore will do after the Feast; The King of Cotata's people Sent to the French, he says, did not agree on any thing new, but the Chief gave them 400 Pagodas for the Present & assured them of his making up the Accounts when he went to Mihie, which wo'd be as soon as the Ships & Forces came from Pondicherry. DITTO DIE.

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AT A CONSULTATION TUESDAY 2D.

*Present*

THE RT. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & approved our last Consultation.

The Paymaster's Account for the Month of July being deliver'd in, & the Chief's Account of the Treasure, they were both Examin'd & Pass'd, & the Amount of the former was Directed to be paid off, Extract of the former, & Copy of the latter are Enter'd hereafter.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

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ABSTRACT OF THE PAYMASTER'S ACCOUNT OF DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 1726.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Garrison Charges ... ... ... ... ... | 14653 | 1 |
| Fortification & House Repairs ... ... ... | 1810 | 6 |
| Board Wages ... ... ... ... ... ... | 2250 | — |
| Stable Charges ... ... ... ... ... ... | 173 | — |
| Hospitall Charges ... ... ... ... ... | 742 | 6 |
| Charges on Merchandize ... ... ... ... | 95 | — |
| Servants Wages ... ... ... ... ... | 948 | — |
| Garrison Stores ... ... ... ... ... | 267 | 3 |
| Account Presents ... ... ... ... ... | 1103 | 6 |
| Charges Generall ... ... ... ... ... | 523 | 15 |
| Fanams ... | 22566 | 5 |

CASH.

| 1726. | | Dr. Fanams. | Vis. |
|---|---|---|---|
| JULY 1. | To Ballance ... ... ... ... ... | 2999 — | 09 |

PER CONTRA.

| | | Cr. Fanams. | Vis. |
|---|---|---|---|
| JULY 31. | By Ballance ... ... ... ... ... | 2999 — | 09 |

RUPEES.

| 1726. | | Dr. | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| JULY 1. | To Ballance ... ... ... ... ... | 9560 | 2 | 81 |
| 7. | To Calicut Factory Transferr'd 22500 Calicut Fanams at 4½ is Rupees ... ... | 5000 | — | — |
| | Rupees | 14560 | 2 | 81 |

PR. CONTRA.

| 1726. | | | Cr. | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | By Garrison Stores Vizt. | | | | |
| | Country Coir 8 Ca. for Wadding & ca. at 10 Rupees ℔ Ca. is ... ... ... | 80 — — | | | |
| | Nails of sorts 22¾ md. at 7 Rupees ℔ md. is ... ... ... | 159 1 — | | | |
| | | | 239 | 1 | — |
| | By Flag & Flag Staff for 7 Peices Teak & 1 Puna for Codolee & (Moohara) ... ... | | 27 | 1 | 81 |
| | By Account Horses for One Persia Dark Bay ... | | 300 | — | — |
| | By Account Salary General Vizt. | | | | |
| | Stephen Law reading Prayers 1 year ... ... | 600 — — | | | |
| | Henry Lathom writing in the Office ... ... ... | 528 — — | | | |
| | | 1128 — — @ 5 ea. | 225 | 2 | 40 |
| | By Garrison Stores Vizt. | | | | |
| | Time Glasses 3 of ½ & 2 hours. | 1— 2 — | | | |
| | Tinn Plates 3½ ... ... | 1— — — | | | |
| | | | 2 | 2 | — |
| | By Stephen Law Paymaster to the Garrison ... | | 2457 | — | 80 |
| 31. | By Dº. to pay the months Charges & ca. ... | | 1196 | 3 | 90 |
| | By Ballance ... ... ... ... ... | | 10111 | 2 | 90 |
| | Rupees ... | | 14560 | 2 | 81 |

PAGODAS CHENAGAREE.

| 1726. | | Dr. | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| JULY 1. | To Ballance 1429 half Pagodas is ... ... | 714 | ½ | — |

PER CONTRA.

| | | Cr. | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| July 31. | By Ballance ... ... ... ... ... | 714 | ½ | — |

TELLICHERRY.
JULY 31ST. 1726.

ERRORS EXCEPTED ℔
ROBERT ADAMS.

— *AUGUST 1726* —

Answer'd the Letter receiv'd from the Honble President and Council of Madrass the 1st. Inst. giving them an account of the arrival of the Three French Ships & of what they put ashore desiring if they could learn any thing of their intentions we may be advised. SATURDAY 5TH.

The King of Cotata's Ministers came to the Fort to let us know the Resolution of their Master as to the Peace with Boyanore; Insisting on the following terms. "That the Districts of a place called Bellete with the absolute command thereof be deliver'd to him; an Elephant to be given to the Pagoda of Tellicherry, with an offering of Butter tyed round his neck, a peice of Ground & an House for the maintenance of Braminees, & one House in Boyanore's Country to be burnt, [*sic*] We immediately dispatcht an account of these Demands to both the Boyanores in Order to have their Answers. TUESDAY 8TH.

Receiv'd Olas from both Boyanores in answer to our advices concerning the demands of the King of Cotata which they readily assent too and Impower the Chief to Conclude on the same if it can be done before the month is out, but if not, they had rather it was laid aside. FRYDAY 11TH.

A Merchant of this place having a Munchua in Cota River sent thither to Refit, he desired leave to bring her away & as She was passing near Mihie, The ffrench sent out Boats & Carry'd her in; upon which we wrote a Letter to Mr. Tremisot Chief & Council, desiring to let the Munchua proceed to us, for She belong'd to one of our Merchants; on the Receipt of our Letter She was let go, & they wrote us not to give any Supplys to Boyanore their Enemy for if we did, they Sho'd be obliged to seize whatever was carry'd to him, Copy of our Letter, with the Chief's answer are as follow. SATURDAY 12.

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To Mr. Tremisot Chief for the
Royall Company of France &c.
Council at Mihie.

Sirs,

We seeing you carry a Munchua that came from the S°. ward, belonging to a Merchant of this place by Name Hossan Ally, & brought her to an Anchor at the mouth of the River Mihie, occasion'd us, giving you the trouble of this writing requesting you wo'd not detain the Munchua, tony, or people, but let them immediately prosecute their Voyage. We are,

Sirs,
Your most humble & Obedient Servants

Tellicherry.
August 12. 1726. O.S.

Robert Adams.
John Johnson.
Stephen Law.
Wm. ffforbes.
Hugh Howard.

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To the Gentlemen of the Council
at Tellicherry.

Sirs,

It is sufficient that you have any Interest in the Munchua coming from Mamenen, which is the reason I let her go, but I hope srs. you will hinder any one of those you Protect from carrying Loadings of Ammunition, & provisions to Boyanore the Enemy of our Company, which if you do I cannot have any regard to your demands another time which will mortifie me much. I am with perfect Consideration

Sirs,
Your most humble & most Obedt. Servt.

Tremisot.

From the French ffort
of Mihie. Augst. 23d. 1726 N. S.

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—— *AUGUST 1726* ——

MONDAY 14TH. We have advices that the French marcht. out of their Fort on the 4th. Inst. & took possession of a small Hill lying between them and Boyanore, there Ensued a smart fireing on both sides, but the Mallabars were not able to Dislodge them.

DITTO DIE. Wrote a Letter to the Honble President & Council of Madrass & sent Copy of our last of the 5th. Instant giving them an account of the French seizing the Hills above mentioned.

TUESDAY 15TH. At the Request of Boyanore we sent him One hundred of Narrangport's Nayrs to assist him in his designs of attacking his Enemys in their new Intrenchment, but we desired they might not be detain'd without an absolute Necessity.

MONDAY 22D. Yesterday Imported Ship Barrington Capt. John Hunter from Bombay bound to Madras and Bengall.

DITTO DIE. The Honble President & Council of Bombay having been pleas'd to Direct our Selling the Cardamoms provided for the Honble Company; we tender'd the same to Capt. John Hunter who bought of us Six & three Quarters Candys at Three hundred fifty three Rupees ℔ Candy not being able to get any more.

TUESDAY 23D. Sailed Ship Barrington Capt. John Hunter for the Coast & Bay.

DITTO DIE. Receiv'd an Ola from Boyanore pressing us to assist him with a Loan of Rice, which he wo'd certainly pay us for in a small time, his dependance has been on us & if we faile him, he must give way to necessity & Comply with the demands of his Enemys, but if we will afford him Supplys he will go on resolutely in the Affair he has undertaken.

DITTO DIE. Answer'd the above Ola of Boyanore; " That we have always kept up our Friendship with him & given him assistance, but it surprised us much that he wo'd not come to Accounts according to his promise, he might depend on our Supplying him on making up our Accounts & Sending the mony to pay for what he wanted.

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TUESDAY 30TH.

AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*

THE RT. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQ. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

Having receiv'd a Letter this day from Mr. Tremisot Chief for the French at Mihie Dated the 7th. September 1726 N.S. The Chief Summons this meeting to Consider of the Contents, & as he demands a Tony lately brought away by Fugitives, We are of Opinion 'tis most proper to return the same & to demand the Three Tonys which are detain'd of ours, be forthwith restored one of them was kept when they took the Decoy & Two carry'd away by Deserters, we Choose this method in order to Convince them of our Inclinations to observe every thing that is Consistant with the Rules always kept by nations in Amity; Copy of Mr. Tremisot his Letter with our Answer are Enter'd hereafter.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

—— *AUGUST 1726* ——

To Mr. Adams Govr. & Council
at Tellicherry.

Sirs,

There Deserted from this Garrison between 3d. & 4th. at night; Four Soldiers, Three Portuguese & one Spaniard, and carry'd away a Tony which I am Inform'd, is at Tellicherry, 'though I can hardly believe it, because I doubt not it wo'd at least have been return'd, if you have it pray remit it by the people I now send I am with perfect Consideration,

Sirs,
Your most humble & most Obedient Servt.
Tremisot.

From the French
ffort of Mihie. Septr. 7. 1726/N.S.

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To Mr. Tremisot Chief
&Ca. Council at Mihie.

Sirs,

We were Favour'd with yours of the 7th. September N.S. just now, by which find it had a long passage, it's Contents we find to be very true, that the Portugueze and Spaniard brought a Boat with them, but Unknown to us, therefore do now return her by your people, requesting you will be Reciprocal & afford us the like favour in delivering us Three Tonys you have of ours Vizt.

1 small that Jacob Vander Courter carry'd away January 4th. 1724.

1 Large taken from the Decoy Grab by the Lilly off Mangalore Aprill 5th. 1724

1 small with 4 Topasses the 5th. January 1725.

Your Complying with this our just request, will oblige us to be,

Sirs,
Your very humble Servants
Robert Adams.
John Johnson.
Stephen Law.
Wm. ffforbes.
Hugh Howard.

Tellicherry.
August 30. 1726 O.S.

Receiv'd an Ola from Boyanore relating to the Advices given throughout the Country; that the French are coming against him with a mighty fforce to Impede all along his Country from one end to the other, to withstand which he has not the things necessary & desires our assistance & advice. September Thursday 1st.

Answer'd Boyanore's Ola, that if he wo'd send his people & finish his Accounts we wo'd do every thing in our power to Serve him, The fforce talk'd off, is false, probably he might think otherwise, but a very short time, wo'd discover it to be so. Ditto Die.

Receiv'd an Answer to our Ola to Boyanore abovementioned expostulating with us concerning our Demand for payment of the mony we advanc'd on his Account to the Prince, he endeavours to persuade us we ought to Bear it, & not him, & with all touches on the promises & assurances we gave him, which he does not think we have fully Comply'd with. Tuesday 6.

Answer'd Boyanore's Ola that the money we advanced on his Account to the Prince, was with his Consent & request Signify'd to us by his ministers & we cannot find any reason why he sho'd refuse making it good, we have not only Comply'd with our Engagements to him but done much more in supplying the Prince at a large Expence to keep off the King of Cotata, & giving large Presents for his Service & Interest, we advisd him to lay aside his Reflections & act vigorously for his own Wednesday 7th.

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Credit, but we have Intelligence he has sent ministers to Treat of Peace with his Enemys, which we were not willing to believe, since he had not given us any notice of it.

DITTO DIE. Having repeated advices given us that the French & Boyanore were about Settling a Peace with each other & then Curringhoda &c$^{a}$. were to be assisted to come against us, we sent proper people to give some Encouragement to Curringhoda to bring him from the French Interest, & one Unichatto Nayr being a very Active person, in their Business, we promised him 100 Rupees to Influence him to Embarrass the affair, we likewise seem'd to Countenance one Caly Nair who Guides Curringhoda In order to bring him off from their Party.

THURSDAY 8TH. Receiv'd an Ola from Boyanore in answer to the above Importing he had always been an Observer of the Treaty made with us, but that we had not Comply'd in our Engagements, we did not send him Rice by sea as he wanted it, we did not Protect the navigation of his Boats, nor is there any reason why he sho'd Reimburse us for what the Prince had of us, & as he finds himself forsaken he thinks himself obliged through Force to hearken to the French Proposals.

| CASH. | | D$^{R}$. Fanams. | Vis. | PER CONTRA. | | C$^{R}$. Fanams. | Vis. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1726 | | | | AUGUST 31ST. | By Ballance ... | 2999 | 09 |
| AUGUST 1ST. | To Balance from last month ... ... | 2999 | 09 | | | | |

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DITTO DIE. AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*

THE R$^{T}$. WORSP$^{LL}$. ROBERT ADAMS ESQ. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
W$^{M}$. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

The Paymasters Account for the month of August being Deliver'd in, & the Chief's Account of Cash, they were both Examin'd & Passed & the Amount of the former was Directed to be paid off, Extract of the former, & Copy of the latter are Enter'd hereafter.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROB$^{T}$. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
W$^{M}$. FORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

## Cash.

Dr. Fanams. vis.

1726 August 1st. To Ballance from last month ... .. ... 2999 09 —

## Rupees.

Dr.

1726 August 1st. To Ballance from last month ... ... 10111 2 90

22 To Cardamoms for 6. 15 sold Capt. Jno. Hunter at 353 Rupees ℔ Candy all Charges on Board ... ... ... ... ... 2382 3 00

To Garrison Stores sold to Boyanore Vizt.

| ca. md. | | Rus. | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2. 10. | Calicut Powder at 6. ℔ md. is ... ... ... | 300 | — | — |
| | 300 Round Shot 100 of 6. lb. 100 of 5. lb. 100 of 4. lb. is 1500. at 30 the md. is 50 md. at 3 Rupees ℔ maund is ... ... ... ... | 150 | — | — |
| | | 450 | — | — |
| | Rupees ... | 12944 | 1 | 90 |

## Pagodas Chenagaree.

Dr.

1726 August 1. To Ballance from last month 1429 half Pagodas 714 ½

Tellicherry.
Augst. 31st. 1726.

## Per Contra.

Cr. Fanams. vis.

August 31st. By Ballance ... .. ... ... .. 2999 09 —

## Per Contra.

Cr.

1726 August By Garrison Stores Viz.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2 Bolts Canvas ... ... | 60 | — | — | |
| 100 Sail needles ... ... | 5 | — | — | |
| 2 Palmes ... ... ... | — | 1 | 60 | 65 1 60 |
| By Stephen Law Paymaster ... ... ... | | | | 2420 2 40 |
| By Cardamoms for Charges on 6. 15 sold Capt. Hunter ... ... ... ... ... | | | | 20 1 — |
| 31. By Stephen Law Paymaster for Charges &ca. | | | | 1642 1 60 |
| By Ballance ... ... ... ... ... | | | | 8795 3 30 |
| Rupees ... | | | | 12944 1 90 |

## Per Contra.

Cr.

August 31. By Ballance ... ... ... ... ... 714 ½ —

Errors Excepted
℔
Robert Adams.

—— *SEPTEMBER 1726* ——

ABSTRACT OF THE GENERALL PAYMASTER'S ACCOUNT OF DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 1726.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Garrison Charges ... ... ... ... ... ... | 13585 | 03 |
| Fortification & House Repairs ... ... ... ... | 1253 | 15 |
| Board Wages ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1500 | — |
| Stable Charges ... ... ... ... ... ... | 170 | 12 |
| Hospitall Charges ... ... ... ... ... ... | 669 | 02 |
| Charges on Merchandise ... ... ... ... ... | 95 | — |
| Servants Wages ... ... ... ... ... ... | 951 | — |
| Account Presents ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1725 | 13 |
| Petty Charges ... ... ... ... ... ... | 363 | 12 |
| Tellicherry Fanams ... | 20314 | 09 |

SATURDAY 10TH. Answer'd Boyanore's Ola ; That we have been true to our promises but we must think him very unreasonable to expect we should carry Rice into his Country by Sea, when an Europe Nation had Blockt it up with a Considerable Force, for we had no House or Being there which co'd give us any pretence so to do; As to the mony advanced on his Account to the Prince we had his Olas desiring us to send for him, & the repeated assurances of his ministers it should be at his Charge ; Our Claim therefore being so good we are under no apprehensions of loosing it ; We recommended his keeping in memory the Writings he had given us, for we are assured the Hoñble Company wo'd expect the Observance, & whatever he was in need of, according to our Ability we were ready to supply him with.

DITTO DIE. Receiv'd a Letter from the Chief & Factors of Anjengo under the 27th. of August in answer to ours of the 13th. Aprill last. They desire our care in dispatching their Paquet for Bombay as soon as possible it containing advices of the Settlement & State of the Country.

DITTO DIE. Answer'd the Anjengo Letter, giving them a narrative of this Countrys disorder & promis'd in a day or two to forward their Packet to Onore.

DITTO DIE. We are assured that Boyanore & the French are at present under a Cessation of Arms which is in Order for their settling a Peace between each other.

FRYDAY 16TH. Receiv'd an Ola from Boyanore in answer to ours, Intimating that we know how the French came, & in what manner he got them away, he was near a month with us, giving us Demonstrations of the Exigency of his affairs, but no Remedy did we give him, however from that time he has maintain'd himself what we have given him in writing with the Effects of our promises he now feels, & now that he Extricates himself from these troubles, it shall be no occasion of forgetting his Friends.

DITTO DIE. Answer'd the foregoing Ola of Boyanore's, & as we find him write us in a very Haughty & Reflecting Style we thought it proper to give this Reply. "That we observe by his Ola he shall not stand in need of the Hoñble Company's help or Favours for the time to come therefore we desire he will forthwith send his ministers to make up our Accounts & pay us the money he Owes & be sure to keep in mind the obligation he has given us in writing, that when the Hoñble Company demand the performance, he may be ready to Comply, we also wrote the Second Boyanore to the same Purport.

MONDAY 19TH. Receiv'd an Ola from Boyanore in answer to the foregoing that he Confiding in the Hoñble Company Inclined him to believe he should be secured from his Enemys, but what has hapned to him the World knows, when we perform our part of the Engagement he will do the like by his, The troubles he is in are the Effects of ill fortune, but when it Changes, & his Friends will Assist him, it can be Remedied The Second wrote us also to the like Purport.

DITTO DIE. The Nombiers, Muta, Caquert & Chandrota came to us, to let us know, that Boyanore had sent to desire their attending him in a day or two to be present at his Ratifying the Articles of Peace with the French, they told us that having given us assurances of their being hearty & steady to our Interest they wo'd not go without

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our previous Consent, for they thought the Proceedings Ignominious, they asked us whether on Concluding this Peace we would Resign our Conquest of Curringhoda's Country, for people in Generall were preposses'd we wo'd, therefore of this they desired a distinct answer, & as the matter is of such a nature as to require no Consideration, we told them directly, that 'though as the Report was, the French wo'd oblige us, they might be Confident we wo'd defend to the utmost our Conquer'd Land against them, or whomsoever came to Invade it, upon which they Vowed' to us to bring their men & stand by our Interest on all occasions, & were resolv'd not to go near Boyanore when he made Peace, & to Engage them the better, we gave them Eighty nine Rupees at their departure.

Imported the Success Grab John Weddall Master, & the Princess Amelia Cap$^{t}$. John Misenor from Bombay, by the former we receiv'd a Letter from the Hoñble President & Council, Dated the 6$^{th}$. Instant acknowledging the recet of ours of the 9$^{th}$. March & 16$^{th}$. June, which they co'd not then particularly answer, & Judging the Europe Ships wo'd come, the outward Passage, they sent us an Order to take out of them Twelve Chests of Treasure & to Tender them the Pepper we have in Warehouse, & Inform'd us of the Arrival of the severall Ships at Bombay, & as the Government of Mocha as well as the Merchants they are greately in our Debt, which 'tis thought, cannot be obtain'd but by Force, They therefore Direct our not Trading thither some of the Gallys are to go early in the Season to make Demands, & on failure to stop up the Port Enclosed came a Letter for Anjengo to be forwarded Express. THURSDAY 22D.

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AT A CONSULTATION FRIDAY 23D.

*Present*

The R$^{T}$. WORSP$^{LL}$. ROBERT ADAMS ESQ. CHIEF
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
WILLIAM FFORBES HUGH HOWARD.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

Two Persons by name Pondarri & Ballepe Cunhiamud being sent to us from Boyanore, The Chief Summons this meeting to Consider on the following Proposals made by him Viz$^{t}$.

1$^{st}$. That he has had no Inclination to make Peace with the French, nor does he intend it, but his Efforts being Fruitless against them. & no probability of getting them out, this has Caused him to think of Accomodating, however, provided we will either with our own men, or our Friends, or with his maintain Sufficient to defend his Two Hills he will certainly Contend with them 'till they are out, & afterwards Resign their Fort & the River to the Hoñble Company, but we must pay Customs & all other Charges exclusive of the above Hills, which shall be Supported by himself.

2$^{d}$. That we oblige ourselves to Defend his Ports & Vessels, that he may have Free Trade in his Country in the same manner as the French did, when he warred with us.

3$^{d}$. That the Guns that are further necessary for the Two Hills be provided by us, 'thô his now there may remain & what more he has shall be furnished.

Taking the above into Consideration, & reflecting how necessary it is to keep up the Variance between the Partys, was it for nothing more than to preserve ourselves from the War, which in all appearance must certainly fall on us when they are Friends; We came therefore to an Unanimous Resolution to write Boyanore giving him Encouragement to expect from us all the Service we co'd afford him, agreeable to what we had ever done, & what we co'd not do ourselves, we would write to Bombay

for Orders concerning, & to desire him to send to us proper Ministers to Treat with us on the these matters, being in hopes we may be able to Settle it, to prevent the Peace the French are so eager to make.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES
HUGH HOWARD.

SATURDAY 24TH. Sailed the Princess Amelia Capt. John Misenor for London by whom we wrote the Honble Court of Directors the Needfull relating to the Settlement & sent our last Years Books of Accounts Papers & Diary to the 30th. July.

DITTO DIE. Receiv'd an Ola from Boyanore that what we had Discoursed with his people Pondarri & Ballepe Cunhiamud he understands; He has wrote the Three Nombiers to come to him & desires we will do the same, after which he will appoint people to Treat with us.

DITTO DIE. Answer'd the above Ola, that we should write the Nombiers to wait on him, & we are in expectation of them & his Ministers here to Settle on the necessary Business.

MONDAY 26TH. Wrote a Letter to the Chief & Factors of Anjengo & forwarded it with the Letter that came from Bombay by Boat Express.

WEDNESDAY 28TH. Receiv'd a letter from our Callicut Linguist Dated the 27th. Instant by Two Munchuas with 370 Bales Chunam, 95 Bundles of Split Bamboes & Two Teak Trees, He informs us that the Samorine's Ministers are on their way towards Boyanore, In Order to mediate a Peace with him & the French, the latter 'tis thought are in great streights for mony to carry on their Extravagant Expences.

THURSDAY 29TH. Answer'd our Callicut Linguist's Letter Directing him to send us up more Chunam & Timber & to get all the Intelligence he can of the French Affairs.

DITTO DIE. Receiv'd an Ola from Boyanore in answer to ours of the 23d. "That he always depended on the great Strength of the Honble Company which he thought wo'd have been employ'd against all his Enemys & effectually have open'd the Trade of his Country, but the disappointment he has met with in this particular, makes him now much streightned; He has no Inclination to see the French but the assistance we give him being Insufficient, he is obliged to regard other Counsels; He cannot War with Europeans if we will be at the Expence with our own people to Defend & Open the Commerce of his Country he will then Confirm what he Empowerd Pondarri & Ballepe Cunhiamud to tell us, & We may send for the Nombiers to talk on the same & on our notice he will appoint his Ministers to come to us, to all which he desires a distinct answer.

DITTO DIE. Finding Boyanore very unsettled & expecting things we cannot Comply with, which if we don't regard, he does in a manner threaten us to make Peace, & not knowing how forward it may be We came to a Resolution to send him the following answer to his Ola, in hopes it may Startle him & Induce him to think more moderately. "That We observe, he is very wavering in all his proceedings, "the Articles he has Signed to us We keep carefully as We suppose he does those "he had from us, to which We have given a due Complyance, & Intend to continue "it, if he is disposed to make no Account of his Engagements to us, We desire he "will Inform us, that We may advise our Superiours accordingly for 'though he may "Imagine us Unable at present to Open his Ports yet he will find sho'd he faile in "the performance of his part, that the Honble Company have power Sufficient to stop "up his Trade, even 'though the French are his Friends, it therefore depended on "him to make a Choice most agreeable to his Interest, the which We desired to "know that we may give the necessary advices to Bombay."

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Receiv'd a Letter from the Chief & Factors of Anjengo Dated the 24th. Inst. Setting forth the State of the Country thereabouts, with their apprehensions that the Dutch will give their Factory at (Eadowa) some trouble, they sent us a Packet for the Hoñble President & Council of Bombay desiring it may have a speedy Conveyance to Onore. DITTO DIE.

Answer'd Anjengo Letter giving an Account of the affairs of this Country assuring them their Packet sho'd be forwarded in a few days with the other We had before receiv'd which was kept hitherto In order for the sending our advices with it. FRYDAY 30TH.

Yesterday in the Evening Two ffrench Officers (as is supposed by their Dress) walked up the Hills of Ponella & Putinha near Moylan making observations on the places which we are assured is only designed for their taking possession of some spot thereabouts, the better to Annoy Moylan, Curringhoda is the person who will publickly make the Breach, but their people are to assist, as we are certain of this We Unanimously agreed that the Officer at Moylan should have Orders, whenever he saw them there again to send a Serjeant, Corporall & Fifteen or Twenty men to demand the reason of their coming there under our Guns, forbidding them doing so for the future, for if they wanted anything they might go to the Fort, otherwise we should look on them as Spies. DITTO DIE.

This Morning we receiv'd an Ola from Boyanore in answer to ours of the 29th That the Benefit he has had in Confiding in the Hoñble Company & the tenour of our Letter, observing both gives him much satisfaction, he has not at all been wanting in his Friendship nor will he be for the future, what happens to him in the Season of ill Fortune is not to be helpt, when God alters it, & he has the Hoñble Company's Favour, all will be remedy'd, for whatever is said, & Signed to, ought not to be forgot. OCTOBER SATURDAY 1ST.

Answered Boyanore's Ola, Signifying to him he has given us no Direct Reply, to what We wrote him, if he is in need of the Hoñble Company's assistance, 'tis proper he sho'd Inform us that We may advise Bombay, or if not, to let us also know. DITTO DIE.

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AT A CONSULTATION TUESDAY 4TH.

*Present*

THE RT. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

The Paymaster's Account for the month of September being deliver'd in & the Chief's Account of the Treasure, they were both Examin'd & Passed, & the Amount of the former was directed to be paid off, Copy of the Latter, & Abstract of the former are Enter'd hereafter.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

## Cash D.

| | | Fanams. | vis. |
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| 1726. | To Ballance last Month ... ... | 2999 | 09 |

## Pr. Contra C.

| | | Fanams. | vis |
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| | By Garrison Stores for 23 mocho Goat Skins at 1½ Fans. each ... ... | 34 | 08 |
| | By Ditto 5 mds. Bengall Twine at 17¾ Fanams each ... ... ... | 88 | 12 |
| | By Lacadiva Coir for the Flagstaff 25 mds. 7½ Fanams each ... ... | 187 | 08 |
| | By Ditto Red Earth 1½ maunds ... ... ... ... .. ... | 4 | 08 |
| | By Ditto 10 pieces Cloth for Cartridges ... ... ... ... ... | 25 | ... |
| 30th. | By Ballance ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 2659 | 09 |
| | Fanams ... | 2999 | 09 |

## September 1st. Rupees Dr.

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| 1726. | To Ballance ... ... | 8795 | 3 | 30 |

## Pr. Contra. Cr.

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| | By Account Salary General due to the follows. this day vizt. | | | |
| | £ | | | |
| | Robert Adams 1 Year 40 is Rupees ... ... ... ... | 320 | — | — |
| | John Johnson Ditto 40 ... ... ... ... | 320 | — | — |
| | Stephen Law Ditto 40 ... ... ... ... | 320 | — | — |
| | Wm. fforbes, *Junr.* Merchts. from 1st. January 1725/6 to this day | | | |
| | mo. days £ £ shil. | | | |
| | is 8 18 @ 30 ℔ Annum is 21 10 is ... ... ... | 172 | — | — |
| | Hugh Howard 1 year vizt. | | | |
| | Factor from the 18. September 1725 to the last January 1725/6 | | | |
| | mo. days £ £ shill | | | |
| | is 4 12 at 15 ℔ Ann. is 5. 10 ... ... ... ... | | | |
| | Junior merchant from February 1st. 1725/6 to the 18 Septr. | | | |
| | mo. days | | | |
| | 1726 is 7. 18. | | | |
| | at 30 is 19. —. | | | |
| | 24. 10. is ... ... ... ... 196 — — | | | |
| | Wm. Jeynson Writer from 20th. Octobr. 1725 to | | | |
| | mo. days £ £ s d | | | |
| | Sepr. 18. 1726 is 10. 28. @ 5 is 4. 11. 1⅓ is ... 36 1 78 | | | |
| | | 1364 | 1 | 78 |
| | By Stephhen Law Paymaster to the Garrison ... ... ... | 2462 | — | — |
| | By Ditto for Charges this Month ... ... ... ... ... | 1638 | — | — |
| 30th. | By Ballance ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 3331 | 1 | 52 |
| | | 8795 | 3 | 30 |

## 1726. Pagodas Chenagaree. Dr.

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| September 1st. | To Balla. last Month half Pagodas 1429 is ... | 714 | ½ | — |

## Per Contra Cr.

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| 1726. September 30th. | By Ballance ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 714 | ½ | — |

Tellicherry.
September 30th. 1726.

Errors Excepted
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Robert Adams.

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ABSTRACT OF THE GENERAL PAYMASTER'S ACCOUNT OF DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE MONTH SEPTEMBER 1726.

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| Garrison Charges | 13803 | 01 | — |
| Fortification & House Repairs | 1724 | 07 | — |
| Board Wages | 1500 | — | — |
| Hospitall Charges | 678 | 12 | — |
| Charges on Merchandise | 113 | 03 | — |
| Servants Wages | 948 | — | — |
| Wars and Tumults | 880 | — | — |
| Account Presents | 557 | — | — |
| Petty Charges | 941 | 03 | — |
| Stable Charges | 174 | 12 | — |
| Tellicherry Fan$^{s}$. | 21320 | 06 | — |

Boyanore having requested of the Samorine to Mediate a Peace with him & the French he sent his Ministers for that purpose who are now with the former, they yesterday sent to the Chief advising him of their being there, & offer'd to do us any Service in their power, The Chief thereupon wrote them an Ola, Signifying to them that Boyanore has made over to us the Trade of his Country exclusive of any other European Nation, & we hoped he wo'd Stand to the same, otherwise we should be obliged to Resent it, & as their master is engaged in this matter, We advised them to agree on nothing that would be Deragatory to his Honour & Credit, at least not to permit the French to hold any thing by Conquest. TUESDAY 4TH.

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AT A CONSULTATION MONDAY 10TH.

*Present*

THE R$^{T}$. WORSP$^{LL}$. ROBERT ADAMS ESQ$^{R}$. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
W$^{M}$. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

On Wednesday next ' tis usual throughout the Mallabar Country for the Natives to hunt in each Man's Respective Land ; ' Tis a Curr$^{t}$. Report that Curringhoda designs on the above day to come on Ponella & Putinha two hills within Gun Shot of Moylan Fort which we have Conquer'd, & there to Hunt as if it was his own Ground, which sho'd he do & we permit it, every one wo'd believe we Tacitly Consented he sho'd Enjoy those places, in which hitherto he has not attempted to appear ; The Chief therefore desires we will seriously Consider on this matter, & resolve on the methods most proper to be taken, We thereupon Debating & weighing the Consequences are Unanimously of Opinion, that we do forthwith give Orders to have all our Force in a Readyness at the time abovemention'd, & men, placed on s$^{d}$. Hills, as well to demonstrate to the Country we will not tamely give up our Rights, nor give him an occasion to Settle thereon, for we are daily Inform'd he is resolved to raise Works with the assistance of the French, on those places, & if possible wrest that part of the Country we have taken, out of our Hands.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROB$^{T}$. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
W$^{M}$. FORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

We are Inform'd by severall ways that the Nombiers have sent a Considerable Body of people to Join Curringhoda in the Hunt which is to be to morrow on our Hills of Ponella, Putinha & Ponella Malla, & if we offer to oppose them they are resolved to give us Battle. TUESDAY 11TH.

This Evening we dispatch'd a Boat Express to Onore, with our Packet to the Honble President & Council of Bombay enclosing Copy of our Letter to the Hoñble Court of Directors ℔ Princess Amelia of the 24'. September, Paymaster's Account for DITTO DIE.

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September, & Account Curr$^{t}$. with Bombay to the last September, Indent for Stores, & the Two Paquets receiv'd lately from Anjengo, giving an Account of the state of this Settlement to the present time.

WEDNESDAY 12$^{TH}$. Agreeable to our Consultation of the 10$^{th}$. Ins$^{t}$. we gave Orders that all our Soldiery, Nayrs of Narrangport, & the Auxiliarys from the Nombiers sho'd be Posted this morning, on the Hills Ponella, Putinha & Ponella Malla, to Confirm to the Country we are resolved to maintain our Right of Conquest thereto, & as usual at this Season to Hunt within our Districts, The Nayrs of Curringhoda with his Accomplices, part of the Nombiers, & severall French Men appear'd at about Ten in the Morning, seeming to have no other Intention than to Hunt on the other side the Verges (that lye between ours & their Hill) & at severall times talkt in a Friendly manner to our people, who depended they wo'd so continue, but on a sudden they the Nayrs & a number of French Men, at Eleven, fired Volleys of Shot at our people, who return'd the same after they had recoverd their Surprize & a Constant Discharge continued on both sides 'till about Four in the Evening, Cap$^{t}$. Alexander Douglass had the principal Command of our people, who, as well as our Ensign, Gunner, & other Inferiour Officers do solemnly Declare they saw as near as they co'd Judge, to the number of Fifty French Men, or thereabouts mixt with the Natives, and Behaving themselves as if they were Fighting in their own Cause, We receiv'd no other Damage than having one Nayr of Caquert Nombier's killed; what hurt we did them We have no certain Account of, ' though severall of our people Affirm, they saw one French Men [*sic*] shot Dead, & some carry'd off, This proceeding Confirms to us the truth of what we have heard reported, that they wo'd without faile come as this morning on the said Hills & probably been Inclined to continue there for their better Annoying Moylan, 'tis the Generall Voice of the Country they so Intended, & we look on it as a singular peice of good fortune that we managed so as to prevent it, which will Convince the Country We dare Assert our Rights, 'though the Freneh side with Curringhoda In Order to Subvert them.

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WEDNESDAY 12$^{TH}$.

AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*

THE R$^{T}$. WORSP$^{LL}$. ROBERT ADAMS ESQ$^{R}$. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
W$^{M}$. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

This days Action being of an Extraordinary Nature The Chief Summons this Meeting to consider what Methods we shall pursue for the better maintaining our Honble Masters Rights which are Invaded in a very publick manner by Curringhoda Assisted by the French as the Narrative Preceeding sets forth, The Country & people in Generall that are in our Interest represent to us the necessity of appearing at the Extremity of our Districts to morrow morning to Demonstrate our Resolution of Defending the same; The time of the Hunting according to Custom is two days, & if we should faile of using it for that time, it will shew We are fearfull, & not in a Condition to maintain our Conquests, or that we dare not appear when the French come against us, as indeed is the Opinion of most of the Country, we are very Sensible of the Vast Expence We have been at to obtain what Ground lyes about us, & we Conceive it our Duty to Defend it to the best of our power, therefore We Unanimously RESOLVE to have all our Forces out early in the Morning to be placed in the manner they were this day but upon no Account to offer any Molestation to Curringhoda or any one else without they oblige us to it, by first breaking the Peace which if they do, we shall recommend it to the Officer to Repell Force with Force, whose Orders follow this Consultation.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROB$^{T}$. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
W$^{M}$. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

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To Capt. Alexander Douglass

Sir,

You are hereby Order'd to go with our Garrison people with the Nayrs of Narrangport, & Nombiers, to Hunt as usual the Ground between Ponella, Ponella Malla & Moylan, on no Account Exceed your Bounds, or Offer Violence to any one without you are assaulted as yesterday, then Repell Force with fforce, & maintain your Ground, taking care of your people, I am,

Moylan. Sir,
October 13th. 1726. Your Affectionate Friend
Robert Adams.

At about Nine this Morning our Soldiery and Nayrs went out of Moylan Fort to Lodge themselves on the Hill [*sic*] mention'd in the Orders given to Capt. Alexander Douglass, They marcht up in a very peaceable manner, but at about ten, Curringhoda's people Fired a smart Volley at our men, & repeated the same, before ours return'd it, there ensued a Constant discharge on both sides till four in the Evening, the Enemy being Lodged at the Bottom of their Hills, & we, on ours, Capt. Alexander Douglass, Ensign Mendonce, our Gunner & indeed our Soldiers in Generall Declare they saw severall of the French people fighting against us; our Loss was one Nayr Boy killed, Three Nayrs wounded & one Muchway, all with Musket Shot, we believe the Enemy have Considerable Loss, for our men saw severall of theirs carry'd off. Thursday 13th.

By one Francisco Gomes who has the Command of a small Vessell belonging to this place under our Protection, we are Inform'd that on the 8th. Inst. as he was at Carratt he receiv'd a Letter from one Pedro Rangel at Mangalore Informing him there was a Portuguese Frigat off said place seeking for English Vessels, & did on the 7th Chase a Ship belonging to Mr. Taylor, but without being able to come up with her, therefore he advised him to get away for Tellicherry with all speed, taking care to pull his Vane & Colours down to prevent being known; pursuant to which he got away, passing by Mangalore he saw the said ffrigatt on the 11th. send her long Boat with Armed men, Boarded a small English Grab, lying there after getting possession they fired a Gun to signify to the ffrigatt She was in their Hands, the said Pedro Rangell moreover advised him the Portugueze have Two Grabs Cruizing off Onore. Ditto Die

This Morning receiv'd a Letter from our Callicut Linguist of the 13th. Instant with Two ffrench Deserters, whom he was very unwilling to send away, being cautious of giving encouragement to such, least it sho'd give an Handle for their Committing Violencys, therefore as they Entice & receive all our men that go to them, we resolved to write our Linguist to give protection to all that came to the Factory & if the French offer'd to Break through the Laws of nations in disturbing the same, that he gets help from our Jangadoes & Governour to Repell any Insult [s] of that kind which they may Commit. Fryday 14th

This Evening we dispatcht a Boat Express to Onore, desiring they wo'd give us immediate advice of the reasons that Induce the Portugueze to Seize on English Vessels, as we are Inform'd they have done, & to let us know if their Hostilitys are like to continue that we way take the necessary Caution for the Security of our Vessells. Ditto Die.

The Officer from Moylan this Morning advises us that Curringhoda Fired two Shot at that Fort from Curiche last night at about six a Clock, one of which fell within Pistoll Shot; we also hear the ffrench have furnished Curringhoda with Two Large Guns. Saturday 15th.

Yesterday Evening Two French Men, one a Factor of Mihie, & another the Commander of a small Ship, brought us a Letter from Monsr. Tremisot Chief & Council there, which with our Answer are as follows. Monday 17th.

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To Mr. Adams & his Council

Gentlemen,

We have let pass Two days without taking notice of the Two days War you made on our Allie Curringhoda under pretence of Hunting, in hopes your Animosity would be somewhat Abated & withall to see if your War Ended with the Chase, but by your Motion it seems to us as if you Intended to continue the War, We desire before you proceed any further, you will Consider this is against our Allie & Friend in whose Country you know We have had Garrisons upwards of Six Months which are so near your Guns that the Soldiers in passing thereto, may be Incommoded, & in this scituation for you to make War on our Allie is the very same as making it on us, In fine, The Rights of people & the Civility of Nations in Amity with the Union that Reigns between the Two Crowns, requires you shou'd give a reason for your making war at this Juncture & what are your Pretensions.

'Tis needless to say further to Gentlemen so knowing as you are, that can see at once the ill Consequence this may be of, now to put things in a Clear Light, only suppose yourselves in our place, & without Ambiguity let us know what you wo'd think, sho'd we disturb one of your Allies under your Guns, which they Protect, for every one ought to do as they wo'd be done by we hope as you are just you will answer us & act accordingly—We are, perfectly

Gentlemen

Your most humble & most Obedt.
Servants
Tremisot.
Mollandin.
LeChevalierdela
ffarelle.
Deidier.

From the French
Fort of Mihie.
October 27. 1726. N.S.

To Mr. Tremisot & his Council.

Gentlemen,

Just now receiv'd yours of this Date, by which find, you are very Uneasie at our Hunt the other days in the Limits & Conquest of the Hoñble English East India Company as to your pretensions of Allyance to Cuny Nayr, we Esteem'd him ours ever since he made Peace with us in Conjunction with Boyanore our other Allie 'till the 12th. Inst. when in Violation of his Faith given he did fire on us, we will not say by French Instigation, 'though cannot but observe your Menacing Lines & of your having Garrisons in these parts & of your demanding a reason for what we have done & also to know if we design to contiuue it.

To which we reply, you have as much Right in your demands as Justice in bringing a Garrison into those parts, in defyance of our Hoñble Masters just Rights Granted to them not only by the Lawfull Sovereign, but by the Late Curringhoda Corriporinour, these your Intrudings & Violating the Peace between the Two Crowns in Europe, by seizing & taking their Vessels, we expect Orders this Season to Account with for, & in the mean time as you say, do as you wo'd be done by, remember when we were at War with Boyanore what assistance you gave him & wo'd not permit us to use our Force to bring him to reason & now that he is at War with you, you will not permit a Boat or any thing belonging to us to go or come from him, although we are in Allyance with him & you & by that means Trample our Hoñble Masters Interest & our Nation's Credit under foot to raise yours on our Backs, these your Unjust & Unlawfull Proceedings do oblige us to send you the Enclosed Narrative signed by the Officers & Soldiers of this Garrison, of your Behaviour to us the 12th. & 13th. Inst. whereby you will find you were not only Abettors & Incitors, but Actors in the Violence offerd us on those two days in our Lawfull Recreation as usual, & as we are not obliged to answer whether we have done or will Continue our Chase, so we require that you will not make yourselves Partys against us & Fire on our people as you did those days within Command of our Guns of Moylan which place is of longer Date than your Garrisons you mention, & thereby assist the Rebellious natives to war on us & their Lawfull Sovereign, who is obliged to Protect what he has so willingly, without Force made over to us. We

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are further to observe to you that notwithstanding your Unjust Demand to know if we have done with our wars begun by you, by Fireing on us first, & have given, lent or sold Guns to Cuny Nair which are Mounted on Curichy Hill, which he fired at our Fort of Moylan the 15th. Inst. in the Evening by which you are become the Agressors & little became you to ask the Question.

To all which & what may further happen by your breaking the Peace between the Two Crowns in Europe & putting a greater value on your New Allyance with Cuny Nayr, as did formerly by Boyanore, thereby to Molest & hinder us the free Enjoyment of our own Limits & Conquest, doing what you can in your power to Excite, maintain & Set the Country against us, We do in the most full & ample manner by these Presents Protest against you Mr. Tremisot Chief & all others of your Council, as also against all your Aiders, Abettors or Adherents for all Damage Loss of Blood, or any thing that may Ensue Detrimentall to the English by your Unjust proceedings & that you are answerable for the same to our Sovereign King George & the Honble English East India Company, for we are resolved to maintain, & Defend our just Rights & pretensions what in us lyes, without Intermeddling with or giving the French Nation any just Offence, if you Act in the same manner you will give us the opportunity to say.

We are,
Gentlemen,
Your most humble & Obedient Servants.

Tellicherry.
October 16. 1726 O.S.

Robert Adams.
John Johnson.
Stephen Law.
Wm. Forbes.
Hugh Howard.

Monday 17.

The foregoing Contents fully Demonstrate the French are resolved to Comit the worst of Insolencys & Abuses; & lay the Blame on us for Actions we ought to Resent; They first Break the Peace by Fireing on us, as We peaceably Marcht within our Limits, Curringhoda did the same, & since one of his Shot from Curiche fell under Moylan, these proceedings are certainly Denouncing War, but the French dare Commit the worst of things, assist the Natives to destroy our people, Invade our Propertys, & then tell us, the Natives are in Allyance with them, & not to be disturb'd by us, even 'though they give the provocation, we answer'd their Letter as by the foregoing & sent them a Narrative under the Hands of our Officers, & Soldiers, Setting forth what they did to us on the 12th. & 13 Instant which is as follows.

We Commission & Non Commission Officers & Soldiers in the Service of the Honble United English East India Company at Tellicherry, being Order'd to march with our Garrison Soldiers & Nayrs our Friends round the Districts of the Said Honble Company's Conquest on the other side of Moylan, do solemnly Declare the following Narrative is a true & just Account of what hapned on the 12th. & 13th. October,

Given in to Robert Adams Esqr. Chief &ca. Factors at Tellicherry October 14th 1726.

October 1726, Wednesday 12th.

We got on the Hill Ponella Malla about the hour of Seven in the morning & heard the French Beat a March, from thence we saw a considerable number of the Natives on & near the Hill called Caria Cuna, to whom we offer'd no Violence, & only proceeded to Hunt within our Districts, The Natives on each side, talk'd with each other in a Civil manner & also to our Soldiers, at the same time a Party of the Natives & French Soldiers descended the Hill to be nearer us, giving scurrilous Language, to one William Lafleur a Corporall Capt. Alexander Douglass observing this, appointed Joseph Johnson Corporall to approach them the better to know what was said, one French Man in particular askt him, how his Country Men with us did, what Luck we had in Hunting & told him one of their Men had receiv'd a wound

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by an Hog this talk was Broke off by a French Man who seem'd to be their Major [Mons$^{r}$.] Laffarelle, & indeed Two ffrench men in our Service John Menes de Belgarde & Christian du Vall Confirm'd to us it was him with Mons$^{r}$. Lambert Second Engineer & another Officer, at about Eleven a Clock some Nayrs advanc'd to come over the Verges, & a number of French Men lay under the Banks at the Bottom of the Hill, immediately the Nayrs Fired a smart Volley at our people which was actually Seconded by the French that were under the Banks, The Peace being Broke our Men in their own Defence were obliged to Fire, & drove the Nayrs back & 'though they had the French to assist with a Constant Discharge, could not recover the Verge, we are all very positive & do affirm, that it was they who Join'd the Natives in the Engagement, & actually Behaved themselves as if in open war against us, their numbers were very Considerable, Dispers'd here & there at the Bottom & side of the Hill, besides another Party lay as a Reserved Guard, these Hostilitys continued 'till we Drew off at about four in the Evening.

THURSDAY 13TH At about Eight this Morning at Moylan we heard the French Beat a march & play the Fife, presently after we march'd within our Limits, advancing towards Ponella Malla, in the way we were Fired at from the Hill Caria Cuna by French Soldiers mixt with the Natives, but chiefly from the former, upon this Second breach of the Peace we were obliged to take such measures as were most proper to Annoy our Enemys; Manoel Gomer & Antonio Rapoza, Serjeants were talked to from the other side in the Portugueze Language very Scurrilously, We all Unanimously Affirm, that the French Soldiers fired the whole time of Action at us, & on our Retreat at four in the Evening a Considerable Body thereof that lay as a Reserve Guard, gave a full Discharge of Shot. To sum up the whole We Reiterate our Complaint against the French fforces of Mihie, who did in both days of Action Behave themselves as Publick Enemys to us, killing & Wounding our people. In Confirmation whereof, we hereunto set our Hands the day & year above written.

THE MARK OF JULIAN LEMANEE. ALEXANDER DOUGLASS, *Cap$^{t}$*.
WILLIAM LAFLEUR. LEWIS MENDONCE, *Ensign*.
D$^{o}$. OF × JOHN MENES DE BELGANDE. PETER CROES, *Gunner*.
CHARLES WINCH. WILLIAM COCK, *Serjeant*.
DANIEL JULIAN. THOMAS FISHER, *Ditto*.
D$^{o}$. OF × BERNARD RODRIGUES ZACHARIAH WHITE D$^{o}$.
CHRISTIAN DUVALL
THE MARK OF × MANOEL GOMES D$^{o}$.
MANOEL DE COSTA D$^{o}$. × MANOEL GONSOLVES D$^{o}$.
THEODCIA FORZE
GERRIT STRATGES QUARTER GUNNER
LOUIS DE SABOURIE SERJEANT
THE MARK OF × JOHN HUGHES D$^{o}$.
HENRY SMITH
JOSEPH JOHNSON
JOHN FARRERA
D$^{o}$. OF × JOHN MILLS.
D$^{o}$. OF × CORNELIUS OLSOM.
D$^{o}$. OF × ANTONIO SIMON.
D$^{o}$. OF × ALEXANDER GONSOLVEZ.

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MONDAY 17TH. On the 14$^{th}$. Ins$^{t}$. wrote to each of the Boyanores to let them know Cuny Nayr did on the 12$^{th}$. & 13$^{th}$. Fire on our Men as they were marching within our Conquer'd Districts & thereby Breaking the Peace we made with him in their Presence, In answer to which they write us that he has been very Insolent in so doing which can proceed from nothing but the Countenance he has from some one in his Interest (meaning the French) 'tis very proper & highly agreeable to our Friends that we Chastize him for the same.

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This Evening Muta Nombier, Caquert & Chandrote came to the Fort to know if we had any thoughts of Chastising the Insolence of Curringhoda for Fireing at our people, they assure us that our appearing abroad on the 12th. & 13th. has greatly advanced our Credit in the Country which is now Convinc'd we will not tamely Surrender our Conquests, 'though the French have actually promis'd Curringhoda they will oblige us to it but the small Assistance they gave him in those days, makes him Jealous they intend only to deceive him, we told them we have at present no war with Curringhoda, nor shall We be the Agressors in disturbing any one, our designs being only to preserve to ourselves, the Land we have Conquer'd, they express'd a Willingness to serve us with their men at all times, & we gave them Twenty Rupees at their departure. TUESDAY 18TH.

Our Officer at Moylan gives us Notice, that three French Men appear'd this Evening on an Hill called Caria Cuna, little farther than Point Blank Shot from the Fort, they were Busy in Lining out & making observations of the places thereabouts, seeming as is they intended to raise works, one of them was a Lusty Man like their Major, we Directed the Officer to keep a Watchfull Eye on that place & Inform us if they do any thing farther. DITTO DIE.

This Morning the Officer at Moylan writes us he can discern some people on Caria Cuna the Hill before mention'd seeming to lay down Fascines In Order for the raising up of Works there to Annoy us. WEDNESDAY 19TH.

Receiv'd by Baddamalli Putturah & Pondarri Two Olas from the Boyanores signifying to us, those men had severall things to propose to us, which they (desired) we wo'd regard, & give a Clear & distinct answer to. DITTO DIE.

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AT A CONSULTATION THURSDAY 20TH.

*Present*

THE RT. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

The Two Men Baddamalli Putturah & Pondarri sent by the Boyanores, came to us with the following Propositions.

That he Boyanore must keep his Two Hills & from thence Annoy the Enemy, by which Uneasiness they will be obliged to leave his Country but to perform this he is in want of the necessarys, as Rice, Powder Ball Guns & Men, which we must Supply him with ' till they leave the Country & if we please we may take the Command of those Hills on us. 1ST.

To bring Curringhoda into our Interest, for without him shall not be able to bring his Affairs to a good Issue, therefore we must use all means either by Treaty or Force to bring him over. 2D.

That we must Open the Ports of Cartanattie ;/Boyanore's Country/that Trade & Provisions may be brought in, which if we cannot do now, we must Set a Limited time that we will do it in. 3D.

To the foregoing Propositions of the Boyanores, after some Debate we gave the following Reply.

That when Boyanore sends his proper Ministers to satisfie us what the Expence of the Hills must be ℔ Diem or Mensem, as We are willing to assist him, shall Settle it ' till the French leave his Dominions, or accomodate to his or our Satisfaction. 1ST.

As to Corringhoda we shall not faile to Assist Boyanore to bring him into our Interest by Treaty or by Force. 2D.

To the Opening the Ports of Boyanore, We shall directly write to the Honble President & Council of Bombay, for we have not fforce, therefore must wait the Coming of from thence with Orders, & In Case the Honble President & Council do 3D.

not afford us the Force we shall immediately acquaint him, & Assist him what we can to defend his Ports against his Enemys.

The reasons that Induce us to give such Encouragement to Boyanore, are to prevent his Concluding a Peace which he will most certainly do, if we slight him, the Consequence whereof will be an Immediate war on us, The ffrench are resolved to do us all the Injury they can, and Curringhoda is if possible more ready than they, now if We can keep up their Variance we are clear of the trouble & our Supplys to Boyanore will not Amount to half the Expences of a War, we are moreover of Opinion that thus continually keeping up the French at such an Extravagant Charge, will Sink their Cash, as not to Enable them to give any Considerable Supplys against us for the future, which if they sho'd not do, we are assured the Country in Generall will be rather Inclined to turn their Arms against them than Us, for their present Sway is Founded on nothing but the Strength of their Mony, We are in no Respect Equal to them in power, for they dare Set an Enemy upon us, & Protect him afterwards by calling him their Allie, as now they do Curringhoda whom they Joyn'd to Fire on our people as is sufficiently proved by the Testimony of all our people in the Narrative given in the 14th. Inst. Boyanores Men, after receiving our answer, return'd to him to give him an Account of the same.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

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THURSDAY 20TH. This Evening dispatcht a Boat Express to Onore with our Packet to the Honble President & Council of Bombay Setting forth in our Two Letters/one of the 19th. & another of this Date/the Usage we have had from Curringhoda & the French & the Propositions made by Boyanore with our Reply, requesting they wo'd give us the necessary Orders & Supplys, we also sent the following Papers Vizt.

Copy of our Letter under the 11th. Instant.

Copy of our Indent for Stores.

Translate of a Letter from the Chief &ca. at Mihie with our Answer under the 16 Instt. O.S.

A Narrative given in by our Officers & Soldiers of what past on the 12th. & 13th. Instt. as they were Marching round our Districts.

An Abstract of Tellicherry Garrison, mentioning the number of Invalids, Pentioners Servants & able Men.

DITTO DIE Wrote also the Chief & Factors of Onore, desiring them to forward our Packet as soon as possible.

FRYDAY 21ST. This Evening a French ffactor & an Officer of Mihie brought us a Letter from the Chief & Council Dated November 1st. 1726 N.S. which We immediately answer'd & are as follows.

To MR. ADAMS & HIS COUNCIL.
GENTLEMEN,

We have receiv'd yours of the 16th. Instt. O.S. & the Verball Process of what passed on the 23d. & 24 Do. N.S. by which we learn the beginning and End of your progress on those Two days, & our Behaviour with severall other particulars which We are entirely Ignorant of not being there, neither had We any of our Troops, for We had nothing to do in what past, what We know is that you had Troops, Guns & Mortars on those days hunt, with which you Attackt Cuny Nayr's people as they were Hunting, among whom were Two of our Officers, a Lieotenant, Sub Lieotenant, a Cadet & Two Company's Servants to take their pleasure in the Chase, who all retired on the beginning of the Action, this is all we know & 'tis the pure truth, so

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Gentlemen to answer your Verball Process, you only need Rase out the Name of the French, & put instead thereof the English, there the Phrase will be turn'd, & that put to your Account which you Charge to Us.

With regard to your Letter of the 16th. O.S. we do not find you have answer'd to any thing We wrote under the 27 N.S. which you co'd not have Omitted had you had the Union at Heart which Subsists between the Two Crowns & been Lovers of Tranquility, neither can we answer to all that is mixt here & there in your Letter which does not relate to the Subject matter, but We hope you will observe the Contents of ours, & We Protest Gentlemen we are so far from giving you any disturbance by Sea or Land, that we seek nothing more than to live in perpetual Peace with you or your Settlement & happy sho'd we be, co'd we but Engage you, to the same Sentiments, & in Actions agreeable thereto, then a perfect Harmony wo'd attend us both, for We have as much regard to you Gentlemen in particular as We have for your Nation in Generall. We are,

GENTLEMEN,
Your most humble & most Obedt. Servants
TREMISOT.
DEIDIER.
LE CHEVALIER D'LA FFARELLE.
MOLLANDIN.

FROM THE FRENCH FORT OF MIHIE.
NOVEMBER 1st. 1726 N.S.

To Mr. TREMISOT & HIS COUNCIL.
GENTLEMEN,

We just now receiv'd yours of this Date by which you acknowledge the recet of ours of the 16th Inst. by this We find as we have always done, Commit what you will are never at a Loss for an Evasion, which Treatment is Grown so old, that it will hardly pass for Currant at this time of day, it is with satisfaction find you Confess to have had some of your people out those days We Hunted which We design'd for our Recreation " till obstructed by you & your Accomplice Cuny Nair, who, of himself wo'd never have dared to have broken the Peace with us without your Inciting & assisting him, as he did in Conjunction with your people by fireing on us first, which was a good reason for us the next day to go with more Caution & preparation in our own Limits & Conquest, it is very unaccountable you of the French Nation sho'd not only with your mony & Ammunition Encourage the Country against us, but appear personally Yourselves in an Hostile manner, & till you can deprive us of the Evidence of our Senses, we shall not faile to Continue to Charge the French with the Breach of the good Harmony between the Two Crowns in Europe, 'as Express'd in our Officers & Soldiers Narrative sent you of the Actions of the 12th. & 13th. Inst.

We did in ours of the 16th. reply to all you wrote & did then signify that Cuny Nair to the 12 Inst. was Esteem'd by us a Friend, and might have Continued so, had you not Beguiled him with vain promises of Protection & Charges to disturb us, if this is your meaning of loving Tranquility We are Strangers to it, & shall be proud of being Accounted so, as to the Contents of what you wrote, We are & always have been Observers of the Peace & good Harmony between the Two Crowns, & find with Concern our patiently Bearing all your Insults both by Sea & Land, has not only given you the opportunity to proceed as you have in this Hostile manner, but has encouraged you to do what you have lately done with Cuny Nair but your design not taking Effect are resolved to deny it, otherwise might have been as open as Monsr. Boisrou of the Lyllie was, when he not only Seiz'd, Detain'd, but plunder'd the Decoy Grab off Mangalore.

These your Treatments are so plain & obvious that We need not enlarge on them, & that now you sho'd begin as did on the 12th. & 13th Inst. to give us new Testimonys of your continuing to disturb us, does not at all answer your Expressions of this Date, not to give us any disturbance by Land or Sea, We sho'd think ourselves very happy, did your Actions answer your Writing then We co'd be able to

say, as We have always made it our study & endeavours to be in good Harmony with you, but while you Agitate, Assist & Excite the Country people in Friendship with us, not only to take up Arms, but appear with them against us in an Hostile manner as above, you must pardon us if in making the just & true Representation We occasion you any Uneasiness or Confusion, for We cannot but say, your Usage, for these three Years last past, has been without regard to Laws of Nations or Nature; & as to Cuny Nair who has broke his faith with us, whenever We think Convenient to call him to an Account for it, shall not, We hope, find any of your people with him which will Induce us to be,

GENTLEMEN,
Your most humble & most Obed$^{t}$. Serv$^{ts}$.
ROBERT ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
W$_{M}$.FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

TELLICHERRY.
OCTOBER 21$^{st}$. 1726 O.S.

SATURDAY 22$^{D}$. Receiv'd a Letter from the Chief & Factors at Onore of the 18$^{th}$. Ins$^{t}$. acknowledging the recet of ours of the 11$^{th}$. with the Packets for Bombay which they promise to forward by the first Safe Conveyance, They Inform us the price of Pepper is so high that they are not able to make any Investments & that our Ships from England were not Arrived Bombay the 10$^{th}$. Ins$^{t}$.

MONDAY 24$^{TH}$. Receiv'd an Ola from Boyanore, concerning the Offers We had made to Baddamalli Putturah & Pondarri the 19$^{th}$ Instant, which he is not satisfied with, & Demands that We put our own men on his Hills with Arms, Ordnance &c$^{a}$. & to Engage that We will defend his shores from Cota River South, to the River Mihie North, & to hold on so, 'till his Enemy has left his Country, he Complains of his Poverty, that he has not wherewith to go on with so great an Expence, what he has hitherto done, has been purely to keep up to the Engagements with us, if We Consent to this proposal he will send away his Ministers to Settle the same.

DITTO DIE. Answer'd Boyanore's Ola; That he Setting forth his want of wherewith to maintain the Charge of his Hills, we had promis'd to give him some helps in that matter, but now he demands that the Hoñble Company shall Defend his whole Country at their own Expence, to do this We are in no wise obliged, nor indeed to any thing more than to Assist him as We co'd, which hitherto We have not fail'd him in, nor shall We for the future; It seems Strange to us that he should Waste his time in Talk & thereby give his Enemy an opportunity to Effect their designs, We have given him always good Advice, which had he observ'd, he wo'd not now be under these troubles, & do now assure him he must take care to prevent a secret design of his Enemys against him.

FRYDAY 28$^{TH}$. Imported Ship Arcott Cap$^{t}$. John Hunter who is likewise Supracargo, from Madrass, by whom We receiv'd a Letter from the Hoñble President & Council there under the 9$^{th}$. Instant, Informing us that only Two Ships this Year came directly from France, the other was an Interloper which they Seized at Mascarinhas, two Ships they have sent home, & two more will speedily go, & as they give out are to call at Mihie.

DITTO DIE Receiv'd a Letter from our Callicut Linguist of the 26$^{th}$. with 370 B$^{a}$. Chunam by Two Munchuas.

DITTO DIE Receiv'd a Letter from the Chief & Factors of Onore Dated the 23$^{d}$. acknowledging the Recet of ours of the 14$^{th}$. Ins$^{t}$. advising us that as M$^{r}$. Taylor's Ship on the 7$^{th}$. Ins$^{t}$. was coming out of Mangalore Road, a Porutugueze ffrigat gave her

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Chase, but not coming up with her, She return'd into the Road, where perhaps She might have Examin'd Amboidass his Vessell that lay there with English Colours. but Letters from thence of the 18th. don't mention their giving her any Molestation.

This Morning Imported a French Ship at Mihie, Named the Labbadine Capt. Laselly from Pondicherry with Men, mony & Stores for their Settlement. SATURDAY 29TH.

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AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*

THE RT. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. HUGH HOWARD. MONDAY 31ST.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

Ensign Thomas Mostyn the Officer at Moylan Informing the Chief that several Nayrs & Moors to the Number of one or two hundred had Lodged themselves on Ponella & the Verges thereabouts, & on Ponella held up a large White Cloth where We used to put our Flag & fired Two or three small Arms, He summons this Meeting to Consider what is best to be done; The Board are Unanimous of Opinion that it is most proper to Dislodge them forthwith, least they sho'd Intrench themselves, & by that means render it much more difficult, &, perhaps Impracticable hereafter when they are Intrench'd.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN. JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HUGH HOWARD

This Evening Sailed the Arcott Capt. John Hunter for Bombay, by her wrote the Honble President & Council the needfull relating to the Settlement, & sent Copy of our Letters under the 19th. & 20th. Inst. with translate of a Letter from Monsr. Tremisot & Council Dated November 1st. 1726 N.S. with our answer, also the Translate of a Letter from the French Major to Capt. Alexander Douglass & Copy of his Answer, which relates to one of our Fugitives seized within our Rocks under the Guns the 22d. Inst. & he in his Letter Unjustly Demands him; altho Capt. Douglass sent a Note by the Boat in which he Certify'd the manner he was Seized, & that it was Consistent with the Law of Arms to do so. DITTO DIE

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TO CAPT. ALEXANDER DOUGLASS.

SIR,

I learn by a short Letter from you, that you Arrested a Deserter the 22d. October O.S. a portugueze Soldier of our Garrison by name Josiah'd Sylva whom I gave leave to go to Mangalore in one of our Boats, which I find you have no other reason for so doing but his coming between your Rocks, which you term following the Law of Arms, but I would have you, observe, you have Acted by the Law of Force, in that you have taken our Boat in the Open Seas, which is the same as if you had

taken it out of Mihie, so that you have not taken it by Law of Arms, as not being within your Limits, so Sir I demand & hope you will send him, for if it is permitted to search Boats it will be attended with very ill Consequences, such as may disturb the good understanding that Subsists between the Two Nations, I think it will be better to follow the Agreement Estəblish'd by our Kings, for in not doing so We must infallibly fall into Disputes which will render us culpable, I am perfectly

SIR,
Your most humble & most Obedient Servant
LE CHEVALIER DE LA FFARELLE.

MIHIE FORT.
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To MR. CHEVALIER DE LA FFARELLE
MAJOR & COMR. OF THE FORCES AT MIHIE.

SIR,

By yours of this Date find you are unacquainted with the Law of Arms & think the English design, to do as you have done, Act by the Law of fforce, the particulars of which have been often wrote from this place, but as that Concerns mine & your Superiours shall only answer you to what you have Inserted & wo'd have you observe that the Rules of War are to seize all Deserters wherever you find them, now that this Josiah'd Sylva is a Deserter, suppose you allow without Dispute, The manner of Seizure take to be your point, which assure Yourself, was not by Force, for he was not able to make any Resistance, & if he had it wo'd Avail him little, being under the Guns of this place, but seeing a Boat under Sail with a White Man, brought her to by another Boat of the same Bigness & when put ashore knew the man to be a Deserter, & according to the above Articles have detain'd him, & am sorry I am not Capable to answer your Unjust Demand without making a Breach of my Orders, and do assure you on all Occasions, shall willingly oblige you, hoping you will be so just to me & yourself as to think what I act herein is Consistent to the Commission I have the Honour to Bear, & be assured that on my part, shall not do any thing contrary to the Rules of a Soldier, if you presevere in the same it will oblige me to be perfectly

SIR,
Your most humble & most Obedient Servant
ALEXANDER DOUGLASS.

TELLICHERRY.
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NOVEMBER TUESDAY 1ST. Receiv'd a Letter from the Chief & Factors of Onore Dated the 28th. ultimo with their Duplicate of the 23d. Do. acknowledging the recet of ours of the 19th. & our Packet for Bombay which they forwarded the 27th. by a Light Boat Express, The Grab We were apprehensive was taken in Mangalore by the Portuguese, they say is Arrived at Onore, whose Noquedah says they Civilly Examin'd her without giving any trouble or Molestation.

THURSDAY 3D. This Morning receiv'd a Letter from the Hoñble President & Council of Bombay Dated the 24th. Ultº. with a Dùplicate under the 6th. September, advising us the Stanhope is the only Ship from England this way, & by her not Arriving they Suppose She has taken the outward passage & thereby Streightens them for Provision for bringing up the Pepper to Load the Shipping directly from Bombay therefore they direct us to have One thousand Candys ready for the Devonshire to take in, as She goes home, so that She may go away a full Ship from hence & not be obliged to stop at Anjengo this they strenuously recommend.

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At a Consultation

*Present*

The Rt. Worspll. Robert Adams Esqr. Chief. — Fryday 4th.
John Johnson. Stephen Law.
Wm. ffforbes. Hugh Howard.

Read & Approved our last Consultation

The Chief's Account of Cash, & Paymaster's Account of Disbursements for last month being brought in & Examin'd; The Remains of Treasure does not Amount to more than Six thousand Four hundred & Eighty Fanams; The Chief therefore desires a Supply for Defraying this Months Expences & as the same is Unavoidable We Agree to take up Four thousand Rupees at Interest of Robert Adams Esqr. at the usual Rate Commencing the 1st. Inst. & have accordingly given him a Bond for the same. Extract of the Paymaster's Account & Copy of the Chief's are Enter'd hereafter.

*Adjourn'd.*

Robt. Adams.
John Johnson.
Stephen Law.
Wm. ffforbes.
Hugh Howard.

This day sign'd a Bond to the Chief, agreeable to the Tenour of the foregoing Consultation. — Fryday 4th.

Abstract of the General Paymasters Acco[t]. of Disbursements for the month of October 1726.

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| Garrison Charges ... ... ... ... ... | 13797 | 03 |
| Fortification & House Repairs ... ... ... | 1265 | 05 |
| Board Wages ... ... ... ... ... | 1500 | 00 |
| Hospitall Charges ... ... ... ... ... | 678 | 12 |
| Charges on Merchandize ... ... ... ... | 359 | 05 |
| Servants Wages ... ... ... ... ... | 958 | 00 |
| Wars & Tumults ... ... ... ... ... | 1811 | 09 |
| Account Presents ... ... ... ... ... | 195 | 00 |
| Stable Charges ... ... ... ... ... | 180 | 12 |
| Petty Charges ... ... ... ... ... | 607 | 10 |
| Tellicherry Fanams ... | 21353 | 08 |

CASH.

Dr. Fanams. vis.

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OCTOBER 1ST. To Ballance ... ... ... ... 2659 — 05

RUPEES.

Dr.

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OCTOBER 1ST. To Ballance ... ... ... ... 3331 1 52
20TH. To Pagodas Chenagaree for 234½ Exchang'd @ 13½ Fans. each is 3165 : 12 @ 5 to the Rupee is ... ... ... ... 633 0 60
3964 2 12

PAGODAS CHENAGAREE. Dr.

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OCTOBER 1ST. To Ballance 1429 half Pagodas ... ... 714 ½ —

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PER CONTRA.

Cr. Fanams. vis.

31ST. By Stephen Law Paymaster to the Garrison. 2659 — 05

PER CONTRA.

Cr.

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OCTOBER 24TH. By Stephen Law Paymaster on Account this Months Expences ... ... ... 2000 — —
31ST. By Ditto paid the Garrison ... ... 1935 3 75
By Ballance ... ... ... ... 28 2 37
3964 2 12

PER CONTRA.

Cr.

OCTOBER 20TH. By Rupees for 469 half Pagodas Exchange is whole ... ... ... ... 234 ½ —
31ST. By Ballance half Pagodas 960 is ... ... 480 — —
714 ½ —

ERRORS EXCEPTED
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ROBERT ADAMS.

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Receiv'd a Letter from the Callicut Linguist, with 370 Bales Chunam, & 17 large Bamboos (by two Munchuas) to draw Water, & 12 larger to carry Burthens cost 15 Fanams with Two flasks of Ink cost 2. 7 fanams, & 200 Bamboes. FRYDAY 4TH.

Wrote a Letter to the Chief & Factors of Anjengo, enclosing the Bombay Letter that came here the 3d. & advis'd them of the State of this Country. MONDAY 7TH.

This day the French came out of the River Mihie with several Boats & proceeded to Chumbay that lyes a little to the S°.ward, where they Disembark'd to see Boyanore in order to Exchange Articles of Peace, they continued together but a small time, & each return'd to their Respective places, the Contents of their Articles We are not very certain of, but We expect to be advis'd speedily. TUESDAY 8TH.

Wrote a Letter by the John Grab to the Hoñble President and Council of Bombay, in answer to one of the 24th. October which came to hand the 3d. Inst. advising them the French have Concluded a Peace with Boyanore; We sent them Copy of our Account Currant with Bombay & of our last Letter, & Inform'd them We have taken up Four thousand Rupees at Interest from the 1st. Inst. to Defray our Expences. FRYDAY 11TH.

Receiv'd a Letter from the Callicut Linguist of the 11th. Inst. with 370 Bs. Chunam & 1 Teak Tree by Two Munchuas. SATURDAY 12TH.

Receiv'd a Letter from the Hoñble President & Councill of Madrass of the 16th. October with Copy of one under the 3d D°. Informing us the French Ship brought for Mihie 40 Europe Soldiers 40 Topasses 10 Cannan, 50 Barrels Gunpowder 1000 Iron Shot, & 9 Small Cask of Treasure, The ffrench give out sd. Ship is to proceed to Mascarinhas for more Troops but they believe it to be only an Amusement, 'tis said the Governuor Monsr. Le Noir, who is now come out had Orders to withdraw their Factory, but finding a Fort Built there, he delay'd Executing sd. Orders until their Company sho'd by acquainted with it. DITTO DIE

This day the Commander of the Ship Hoedkinskirk in the Duch Company's Service came ashore here, with a Secretary going to Suratt, & the Doctor of the Ship, who Inform'd us that the French Men who had come from Mihie, on Board them, Declared the Natives wo'd speedily attack the Fort we have taken from them/meaning Moylan/& were in hopes of Wresting it from us. DITTO DIE

The Two Ministers of the Samorine who were appointed to accomodate matters between the French & Boyanore, came yesterday & to day to the Fort, by order of their Master to Inform us he was very desirous to have an Interview with the Chief, & wo'd come to Callicut to meet him, having severall things to Consult with him, for there is a Combination Stipulated by all the Inland Powers against the Dutch Kings of Cochin & Porca which probably might give him an Opportunity to recover some of his Country, We told them We have always been Zealous in the Interest of the Samorine, but he seems to have no Sense of it, while he delays making up Accounts with the Hoñble Company, & pays nothing of his Debt, when he gives us satisfaction in this, We sho'd be ready to afford him all the Service We could; We press'd them to give us the Substance of the Articles made by Boyanore with the French, which they promis'd to send us in a few days, & do assure us they endeavour'd to Wave off the Peace, but the Second Boyanore was eager to make it, they left us in the Evening, assuring us they would use their utmost to bring the Samorine to Callicut; We gave them Twenty seven Rupees at their Departure. TUESDAY 15TH.

Receiv'd an Ola from Boyanore; That what has been done now We knew before, & of the Friendship he is desirous of keeping with us, in which on his side there shall be no alteration, & expects the same on our part; He has severall matters to discourse of & also to make up our Accounts, when We are at leisure he will send his people on the first Notice given him. DITTO DIE

Answer'd the above Ola of Boyanores, That if he had Inform'd us We sho'd undoubtedly have known what has been done, & for want of such advice We are wholly Ignorant; As to the Friendship, while he observes it, We shall do the same, DITTO DIE.

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He may send his people directly on the Receipt hereof to make up the Accounts, if he is at leisure, otherwise in Two or three days.

WEDNESDAY 16TH. Answer'd the Madrass Letters receiv'd the 28th. Ult°. & 12th. Inst. giving advice of the Peace the French have made & of the Articles according to what We are at present Inform'd of.

DITTO DIE. Answer'd Onore Letters receiv'd the 22d. & 28th. Ultimo & 1st. Inst. Informing the Peace the French have made, & We also advis'd them of what We heard this day from one William Hawkins formerly in Mr. Taylor's Service who has been Fourteen days from Carwarr; That 'tis a Common Report there; the French have sent a person to the Sundah Rajah to obtain leave to Settle at Bed Cove, the Rajah promised if We do not return there, he wo'd permit them to Settle.

DITTO DIE. By a Braminee sent by Boyanore to one Ally Mamy a Moor Merchant here, which he was to Communicate to us if he thought Convenient, We are Inform'd that the French have desired Boyanore to give his Assistance to Curringhoda that he may make a Lodgement on Ponella, which he seem'd to give Ear to, In order to be the better Inform'd of their designs, which when he knows he will give us notice of the time & manner they intend to proceed, This We may be certain of he will continue steady to our Interest & do us all the Service he can & We may be Confident they will Set about it before January.

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AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*

THURSDAY 17TH.

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| THE Rt. WORSPLL. | ROBERT ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF. |
| JOHN JOHNSON. | STEPHEN LAW. |
| WILLIAM FFORBES. | HUGH HOWARD. |

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

'Tis the Generall Voice of the Country & has been so for some time that Curringhoda will certainly Attempt to Lodge on Putinha & Ponella Hills to Annoy Moylan, the same is above Confirm'd by Boyanore, & indeed We have before taken notice on the 12th. Instant the French have openly talkt to the same purpose to those of the Dutch Ship, such a Concurrence obliges us to believe it will certainly happen, therefore the Chief desires We will Consider on the means necessary to be taken to prevent their designs as well as to provide for our own Security, the sd. Hills are within Point Blank Shot of Moylan, but as Putinha Commands it much We can give but little Annoyance from thence, & We are apprehensive We cannot be able to Dislodge them with our feeble Garrison, should they Fortifie thereon, that Consequence will prove of great Inconveniency to us, by incessantly disturbing Moylan, & indeed Enable them the better to Enter into our Districts which are large, & 'twill be difficult for us to keep up a Force sufficient to hinder it, there lyes an Hill on our side just opposite to Putinha, but Considerably lower, which We are all Inclinable to Secure, co'd We believe it wo'd hinder their Working on Putinha, & to take possession of it will require a great fforce to Protect our Workmen, for We are of Opinion they will directly endeavour to Dislodge us; Considering seriously on every Circumstance We. are all at a Loss what Methods to take, however as our Enemys are so very Active, it Behoves us to Bestir ourselves, & do therefore Unanimously AGREE to raise up a Bank on the Hill on our side for the present, & after Viewing Putinha well to Fortify it, if We find it Convenient for our purpose, for if We have it our Enemys must remain at a distance, & We shall live quietly within our Limits, what makes us the more Carefull in the matter is, because the French have actually promis'd to supply Curringhoda with large Guns, Gunners, Ammunition & Rice, & Some say with Men, but the former they certainly will, & 'tis likewise AGREED that the Chief gives the Officer at Moylan a Standing Order to keep a good Watch towards those Hills before

mentioned & to Annoy the Enemy either by day or night if they Assemble thereon; Copy of which Order follows this Consultation.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

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TO THE OFFICER THAT MAY BE
IN COMMAND AT MOYLAN,

SIR,

Being Inform'd that Curringhoda Nayr with his Associates are designed to Settle on Putinha or Ponella Hills, wo'd have you on any appearance by day, of any number of people in Arms, on either or both of those Hills, to Hoist your Colours & bring all your Guns to Bear on them, fireing one first, on which if they go off, may forbear Fireing, if not, do them all the Damage you can, if you sho'd hear them by night, Hoist Two Lights on your Flagstaff, one above the other, & Fire at them as above & shall send you Relief from hence; This is to be a Standing Order till Contradicted by

SIR,
Your Affectionate Friend to Serve you,
ROBERT ADAMS.

TELLICHERRY.
NOVEMBER 17TH. 1726.

Taking a View of Putinha Hill We find it very Convenient to make a Lodgement there, which will effectually keep the Enemy at a distance & thereby of less Expence than in defending our Limits which they can easily Annoy if they are Settled on said place so that the Bank We proposed to raise on this side will be needless, therefore We dispatcht a Boat to Callicutt for a Number of Baskets to Carry Earth, Bamboos to make Gabions & Pickaxes to Break Ground. FRYDAY 18TH.

Imported the Prince Brigantine Thomas Garland Master & Supracargo from Bengall. MONDAY 21(ST.)

Receiv'd a Letter from our Callicut Linguist of the 20th. Inst. with Eighty one Baskets to carry Earth, he Informs us that a Portugueze Friggatt Anchor'd there the 19th. DITTO DIE.

Receiv'd a Letter from our Callicut Linguist of the 21st. Inst. by a Munchua with 200 Bales Chunam, 150 Bamboos at 25 Fanams ₱ 100, & 60 Baskets, he advises that the Dutch keep there Sloops Cruizing continually between Chittoa & Billingott River which is a short League from Penaney which We suppose is to prevent the Carrying out of Pepper from the Samorine's Country. WEDNESDAY 23D.

At about Noon an Officer Deserted from the French Settlement of Mihie & came to Moylan by Name Francis Desormeaux, he brought his Lievtenant's Commission Signed by the Governour & Council of Pondicherry, & says that the Affronts and Abuses given him by those there, & putting others over him were the reasons of his leaving that place. DITTO DIE.

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At a Consultation

*Present*

Thursday 24th. The Rt. Worspll. Robert Adams Esqr. Chief.
John Johnson. Stephen Law.
Wm. ffforbes. Hugh Howard.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

On the 17th. Inst. We took into Consideration the proper means to Secure ourselves, & to prevent the Designs of our Enemy Curringhoda, the Hill Putinha has been thoroughly Survey'd, & We are all of Opinion 'tis absolutely necessary it be Secured, for We are assured by the Country in Generall We shall be very speedily in troubles, & indeed the Lievtenant Monsr. Francis Desormeaux who Deserted yesterday from the French Declares, Curringhoda is daily in Consult how to proceed against us; The Chief has given Orders & every thing will be ready this night, but the Weather being now Rainy & Uncertain, he desires our Opinion whether to do it forthwith, or deferr it 'till 'tis more fair, & as our Ammunition will be lyable to be Damaged, & our Men fall sick sho'd it Rain, therefore We do Unanimously Agree to wait a day or two for an alteration of Weather.

*Adjourn'd.*

Robt. Adams.
John Johnson.
Stephen Law.
Wm. ffforbes.
Hugh Howard.

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ffryday 25th. At a Consultation

*Present*

The Rt. Worspll. Robert Adams Esqr. Chief.
John Johnson. Stephen Law.
William ffforbes. Hugh Howard.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

Having advices that Ship Devonshire carrys on the Honble Company's Account for Bombay a Quantity of Treasure, & She appearing off this Port & her Boat on Shore with an Officer at Five in the Evening, but the Capt. Informs the Chief he will proceed on his Voyage without Anchoring; The Chief asks the opinion of the Board whether to Tender the Order Sent us from the Honble President & Council of Bombay for Twelve Chests of Treasure, part of which is to be Invested in Pepper for sd. Ship, the advantages of having it, being very considerable for to make the provision Order'd, as well as to Strike off our Account Interest, 'tis our General Opinion that Messrs. Law & Forbes go off with the afforesaid Order, & if possible get it Comply'd with, that We may not be hinder'd in providing the Pepper, & that We write Capt. Prince pressingly on the same.

*Adjourn'd.*

Robt. Adams.
John Johnson.
Stephen Law.
Wm. ffforbes.
Hugh Howard.

Ditto Die. The Officer of Moylan sends advice that Severall people are on the Hills Putinha, Ponella Malla, & Caria Cunu, seeming to make observations thereon.

Ditto Die. At about Eight this Evening We had advices from Messrs. Law & Forbes, that Capt. Prince would deliver the Twelve Chests of Treasure but neither Buoys nor Ropes were on Board, We dispatcht a Boat immediately off with them & wrote a

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short Letter to the Honble President & Council of Bombay, giving notice of the Treasure, but could not possibly send our Books &c$^{a}$. at so sudden a Juncture, so that they must wait another Conveyance At about two in the morning Mess$^{rs}$. Forbes & Law came ashore with the twelve Chests of Treasure, & Inform'd us they deliver'd Cap$^{t}$. Prince the Order & a Receipt for the Mony.

Receive'd a Letter late this Evening from our Callicutt Linguist of the 24$^{th}$. Instant by a Munchua with One hundred Bales Chunam, & a Teak Tree ; The price of Coins & Goods there are as follows. DITTO DIE.

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| Rupees ... | 4 : 6 |
| D$^{o}$. Gold | 53 : 8 |
| Venetian | 17 : 8 |
| Dollars ... | 9 : 8 |
| Icarees Pagodas | 15 : 6 |

Pepper 25½ Ibrahims ℔ Candy.

On Examining the Twelve Chests of Treasure taken out of the Devonshire We find a deficiency of Twenty one Dollars of the usual weight ; The Chests were entire, Cover'd with Gunnys, but the mony was shot loose in some without Bags, & in Severall the Bags much broke & the Dollars Lodged in the Joining of the Chests, which We got out with difficulty ; The Weight Stephen Law & William fforbes found as follows. SATURDAY 26TH.

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| N$^{o}$. 324. | 4 Bags broke Weight ... ... ... ... | 3890½ | wants 3½ |
| 325. | 4 D$^{o}$. whole ... ... ... ... ... ... | 3894 | |
| 327. | 4 all loose ... ... ... ... ... ... | 3889 | · 5 |
| 328. | 4 whole ... ... ... ... ... ... | 3894 | |
| 329. | 4 Ditto ... ... ... ... ... ... | 3894 | |
| 344. | 4 Ditto ... ... ... ... ... ... | 3894 | |
| 345. | 4 Ditto ... ... ... ... ... ... | 3894 | |
| 346. | 4 D$^{o}$. ... ... ... ... ... ... | 3894 | |
| 347. | Brooke & Loose ... ... ... ... ... | 3881½ | 12½ |
| 353. | 4 whole ... ... ... ... ... ... | 3894 | |
| 455. | 4 D$^{o}$. ... ... ... ... ... ... | 3894 | |
| 456. | 4 D$^{o}$. ... ... ... ... ... ... | 3894 | |
| | | 46707 | wants 21 Dollars. |

Agreeable to our late Consultation of the 24 Ins$^{t}$ We march'd at about Ten last night on Putinha Hill, which was this Morning with Fascines, Gabions &c$^{a}$ in a tolerable Condition of Defence, from Curiche was fired Nine Shot between the hours of Eleven & Two, & this morning after day severall more were fired, Some of which fell in & about the way leading to Ponella & one just under Putinha Hill, our Cooleys in their going were in great danger, & narrowly Escaped them, notwithstanding all this provocation We made no returns, but continued Fortifying the whole day, at about Eight at Night a Boat came from Mihie with a Serjeant & Soldier, with Three Letters, one Directed to Robert Adams Esq$^{r}$. & his Councill ; One to the Officer in Command at Putinha, & another to him at Moylan, all which Letters are as follows. MOYLAN FORT SUNDAY 27.

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To M$^{r}$. ADAMS & HIS COUNCIL
AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN,

This is to let you know that in the name of the King & for the Company of France We are going to take possession & keep the Hill of Caria Cunu in the Country of Cuny Nayr our Friend & Allie with his Consent. We are,

GENTLEMEN,
Your most humble & most Obed$^{t}$. Servants
TREMISOT.
DEIDIER.
LE CHEVALIER D'LA FARELLE.
MOLLANDIN.

FROM THE FRENCH FORT
OF MIHIE. DECEMBER 8. 1726 N.S.

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To the Capt. Commadant for the
Hoñble English Company on the
Hill Putinha.

Sir,

This is to let you know that in the Name of the King & for the Company of France We have taken possession of the Hill Caria Cunu with the consent of Cuny Nair our Friend & Allie, which We have advised Mr. Adams & his Council of. We are,

Sir,
Your most humble & most Obedt. Servants
Tremisot.
Deidier.
Le Chevalier de la ffarelle.
Mollandin.

French Fort
of Mihie. December 8th. 1726 N.S.

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To the Officer Comr. of
Moylan Fort.

Sir,

I desire you will have the Goodness to send the Serjeant to Tellicherry who carrys a Letter for Mr. Adams, & at the same time send the Soldier who has another for the Officer who Commands upon the Hill right against Ponella, & you will oblige him who has the Honr. to be,

Sir,
Your most humble & most Obedt. Servant
Le Chevalier de la ffarelle.

Mihie Fort.
December 8th. 1726 N.S.

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At a Consultation

Sunday 27th.

*Present*

The Rt. Worspll. Robert Adams Esqr. Chief.
John Johnson. Stephen Law.
Wm. ffforbes. Hugh Howard.

After perusing the Letter from Monsr. Tremisot & Council of Mihie & Weighing the Contents We are greatly Surprized at the Steps the French are about to take which are indeed nothing less than Violating the Peace Settled between the Crowns in Europe, this very day with their own Guns, Ammunition & Men they fired at our Forts & people, as they also did on the 12th. & 13th. October which We have already Set forth; and not Content with Committing these Outrages they make no scruple to let us know they will Fortify under our Guns, for Caria Cunu is in less than point Blank shot of Ponella, but a small matter further from Putinha & within our reach from Moylan; The Chief desires We will seriously consider of this matter, & give our Opinion how We are to Act in an Affair so intolerably Ignominious to us: We all know 'tis unlawfull for any people in Amity to raise Works or fortify within the Great Shot of each other, but this is even under our Guns & can be Commanded by them, therefore We do Unanimously Agree to write them pressingly not to proceed & repeat to 'em the Grants We have in Curringhoda's Country exclusive of all Europeans, Copy of which Letter is Enter'd hereafter.

*Adjourn'd.*

Robt. Adams.
John Johnson.
Stephen Law.
Wm. Forbes.
Hugh Howard.

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To Mr. Tremisot, de la ffarelle,
Deidier & Mollandin.

Gentlemen,

We are to advise you that by what you did last night & this day from Curichy by fireing at our Flags of Moylan & Putinha, had put us in thoughts of sending you a formall Protest, Signifying your Breach of the Publick Peace & Grand Allyance between the Two Nations in Europe, but to our great Surprize you not only Vindicate that Action, by your Letter of this Date, by advising us you design to take possession of Cariacunu in the Name of the King & Company of France as Granted you by Cuny Nayr, We are to advise you he cannot make any such Grant, & that whatever you do in that, or in any affair depending between our Hoñble Masters, & said Cuny Nayr is deragatory to the Peace & Allyance in Europe, & that you are the Sole Breakers of the Peace, & answerable for all damages Losses, Bloodshed, or any thing that may ensue by your rash proceedings, for you cannot but know sd. place of Caria Cunu is under the Guns of Moylan, Putinha, & Ponella, & therefore not to be Inhabited by another Nation, by the Law of Nations, to which hope you will have respect, otherwise you will become farther Breakers of the Peace. We are

Sirs,
Yours most humble & most Obedt. Servants

Moylan Fort.
November 27. 1726. O.S.

Robt. Adams.
John Johnson.
Stephen Law.
Wm. Forbes.
Hugh Howard.

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At a Consultation

*Present*

The Rt. Worspll. Robert Adams Esqr. Chief.
John Johnson. Stephen Law.
Wm. ffforbes. Hugh Howard.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

At day light this morning, notwithstanding what We had wrote the French fforces appear'd on Caria Cunu, Hoisted their Flag & fired 13 Guns, such an Insolence We have never known offer'd by Nations in Amity, but as We have passed by every thing they have yet done, they are resolved to try us farther, if We will let them come to the walls of our Forts; The Chief desires our Opinion how to Act, which indeed was We in a Condition to prosecute We co'd easily give, but as Our Hoñble Masters & Superiours have been pleas'd to take no methods in obtaining Satisfaction for their wresting our Trade from us, Seizing our Vessels, destroying our people & other Innumerable Abuses We are to be Cautious in our proceedings, especially when We reflect on the Weakness of our Garrison, & the Strength of theirs, for indeed sho'd We but do our Duty in using means to dislodge them they will Retort it on us with all the Fury & Violence possible, & if their Force wo'd reach to it, wo'd not stick at Attacking our peaces & treating us as Enemys by Sea & Land, therefore We do Agree to send them a Protest forthwith, Signifying this additional Breach of the Peace & requiring them to withdraw their men &ca. off sd. Caria Cunu.

*Adjourn'd.*

Robt. Adams.
John Johnson.
Stephen Law.
Wm. Forbes.
Hugh Howard.

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To Messrs. Tremisot, D la ffarelle
Deidier & Mollandin at Mihie.

Gentlemen,

Whereas You of the French Nation that have been employ'd by the Royall Company of France at Mihie, and the Country of Boyanore, ever since the Year 1722, have from time to time not only Excited s$^{t}$. Boyanore, Curringhoda & Nombiers to War on us but have Assisted them with Men, Mony Ammunition &c$^{a}$. to Fight & disturb us the Servants belonging to the Hoñble Company of Great Brittain, by which you yourselves have Wrested a large Branch of the Pepper Trade from them, which by Right and Donation both of the Lawfull Sovereign & those Grandees was made over to them the s$^{d}$. Hoñble Company of Great Brittain exclusive of all European Nations but the Dutch, but on your return in November 1725 by Force of Arms made yourselves masters of Boyanores Palace of Callary, & carry'd on a War with him 'till the 8$^{th}$. Ins$^{t}$. November when by Force of Arms you obliged him to Sign Articles very contrary to our Hoñble Masters Interest & in prejudice of them have obliged yourselves to Defend Protect & make good all Losses & Damages he may Sustain from the English Nation on Account of his Breach of Faith & Articles Signed by him as above & not Content or satisfied with that 'though We to the Loss & Ignominy of the English Credit, forbore giving you or any of your adherents any trouble or Cause have Incited, Maintain'd & obliged Curringhoda Nayr whom you call Cuny Nair, not only to Break the Peace with us, but assisted & advis'd him to come with Guns & Men to Fortifie the hills Ponella & Putinha with an Intention to Annoy & Batter the Fort of Moylan, of which having timely notice & advice, to prevent what in us lies the trouble & Vexation of a War with the Country people at our own Gates, We did on the night between the 26$^{th}$. & 27$^{th}$. Instant take possession of said Hills, not with any design of Offending you or any one, but to keep the Peace & Tranquility of these parts, by Securing to ourselves our own Conquest, 'though in the night aforesaid & day following severall Shot were fired at our people both from Curichy & a New Fort of said Curringhoda, by your Guns & Gunners, of which We design'd to have given Notice by a Protest for that & the like poceedings but to our great Surprize, you not only Vindicate that by your Letters of Yesterday's Date to us, but wrote also to our Officers of Moylan & Putinha, to advise us & them that you designed to take possession of Caria Cunu, as given you by Cuny Nayr, & notwithstanding We did then & often before satisfie you by writing, that the s$^{d}$. Curringhoda co'd not make over, or alienate any part, at least the Trade of his Country, having before Granted & given it to our Hoñble masters in 1719 in presence of his Lawfull Sovereign & other Potentates of the Country, notwithstanding all this you did this Morning the 28$^{th}$. Nov$^{r}$. 1726 come on said Caria Cunu with your own Forces, Hoist your Colours, & break Ground to Intrench yourselves, under our Guns, in Violation of the Allyance & Peace between the Two Nations in Europe, for which & all other your Unlawfull Proceedings; We do in the Name of his Majesty George King of Great Brittain, & our Hoñble Masters, the Hoñble United East India Company of Great Brittain, Trading to the East Indies, Protest against you Mess$^{rs}$. Tremisot, De la ffarelle, Deidier & Mollandin in the strongest & best manner possible, & require you forthwith to withdraw your Forces Guns & Assistance from said place & Curringhoda Nayr, or you will be Chargeable, and obliged to answer for all Charges, Damages & Bloodshed that may Ensue by a War, of which you are the Sole & Real Cause, by your Acting openly in Arms continually in defiance of us, & against our Lawfull Rights & Pretensions to those parts of the Country which we have formerly & largely given you an Account of, & this Stands in full Force. Dated in Moylan Fort November the 28$^{th}$. 1726 O.S.

Robert Adams.
John Johnson.
Stephen Law.
W$^{m}$. ffforbes.
Hugh Howard.

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To Messrs. Tremisot, De la ffarelle
Deidier & Mollandin.

Sirs,

The Enclosed Protest is what We find ourselves obliged to, your Transactions & Behaviour to us is such, but have hopes so soon as you have duly weighed & Consider'd the Consequence of your thus proceeding; on mature Reflection you will find them Inconsistent to the Laws of Nations, & directly against the good Harmony & Allyance in Europe & that you will for the future forbear all manner of Hostilitys by leaving the Country people to themselves & not join with them against,

Gentlemen,
Your very humble & Obedient Servants

Robert Adams.
John Johnson.
Stephen Law.
Wm. ffforbes.
Hugh Howard.

Fort Moylan.
November the 28th. 1726. O.S.

Receiv'd a Letter from our Callicut Linguist of the 27th. by a Tony with 100 Baskets to carry Earth. Monday 28th.

This Evening receiv'd an Answer to our Letter & Protest from the Chief & Council of Mihie, Translate of which is as follows. Ditto Die.

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To Mr. Adams & his Council at Tellicherry.

Sirs,

We have receiv'd your Letters & Protest which appears rather like a Declaration of War, according to the manner you Express yourselves, and indeed is more opposite to the Union of the Two Nations than what you object & call Acts of Hostility, the which We shall let our Sovereign & Masters Judge of, as also the Air of a Sovereign you Assume over us, very Inconsistent with Two Nations in Amity, To answer now in a few words to your Protest We tell you. to what regards Boyanore, you, nor We are Capable, or Authorized to Judge of, it only belongs to the Companys, in relation to the Council you say We have given Cuny Nair to raise works against Moylan, it is so foreign to reason, & our manner of Acting that you ought not to give ear to it, & much less objected it as a Crime, if it was only upon this Foundation you Fortify'd Putinha, you have taken an unnecessary trouble which has Caus'd your Neighbours & us a Disquietude, but principally to us, who desire nothing more than to live in Peace with you, & We co'd not see without Uneasiness a new Fortification raised against the Country We Inhabit which is the sole motive that Obliged us in the name of the King our Master & the Company of France to raise a Fort on the Hill Caria Cunu which was given us by Cuny Nayr, whom We regard as Master, Proprietor, & Possessor, neither is it in our power to Decide the Rights of Sovereigns in this Country, In fine as We have both referred it to the Judgment of our masters, & wait for it, We desire you Gentlemen to be easy till then, & not give any reason to alter the good Union Reigning between the Two Nations, nor oblige the Country people to Join directly, or Indirectly against us, nor trouble the Commerce of the Company of France, as We shall not yours in your Establishment; We are with Consideration,

Gentlemen,
Your most humble & most Obedt. Servts.
Tremisot.
Deidier.
Le Chevalier d'la ffarelle
Mollandin.

From the French Fort
at Mihie. Decr. 9th. 1726 N.S.

Wrote a Letter to the French Chief & Council of Mihie in answer to that We receiv'd yesterday, Copy of which is as follows. Tuesday 29th.

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To

MESSRS. TREMISOT, DE LA FFARELLE,
DEIDIER & MOLLANDIN.

GENTLEMEN,

We were Favour'd with yours last night in answer to our Protest & Letter of the same Date, to which you are pleas'd to give a very Airy Turn, & wholly leave out the Substantial, or at least pass it over in Silence (which was your Fireing at our Flag & Hills of Putinha, Ponella & Moylan) & tell us We assume an Air of Sovereignity over you, We are Sure you cannot prove any words of ours that tend to any thing that way, whereas your Actions done openly at noon day & in the sight of the Country Demonstrate to us & all the World your Intention of bringing us under your Regulations & Limiting us what We shall do with any of the Country People, who by your Insinuations or otherwise are inclined to disturb our Peace, & Tranquility, that you will directly give him your King's Protection, Raise Batterys, Hoist your Flag & Mount your Guns against us, & that even under ours, & at the same time write us, it is foreign to you to give Cuny Nayr Council to raise works against Moylan, but do them yourselves, by what you have done on Caria Cunu to keep s$^{d}$. Nayr at Variance with us & to Manure his Ground in defiance of our Arrest on it for his Debt & Charge he put our Honble Masters to in the late War he made on us, when his Hills of Ponella, Putinha & Ponella Malla became our Conquests; & he at the Conclusion of the Peace was to have come & Settled, & to have made up his Accounts according to his promise at our first meeting after the Peace, but he has not only broke his Word in that, but since his Peace by fireing at us, not permitting our people a Queit passage through his Country, hindering the Merchants & Cooleys bringing their Goods to us, at whose Instigation We will not say, but are sure it is by your protection that he offers these Indignitys, by which you Manifest your sincere desire of living in Peace & good Harmony with us, according to the Peace in Europe between the Two Crowns, as also your good neighbourhood to us, by assisting any one that will take upon him to disturb our Quiet & Lawfull Possessions & if it is not in your power to Decide, the Sovereignity of the Country why do you Set up for it, by raising Cuny Nayr to that Title, who has no other pretensions to it but in Common with other Nayrs but what he derives from you, & as to raising new Fortifications in the Country you Inhabit, We are to question you how long since it is you are become so, & who raises new Fortifications but yourselves, for all We have are of elder date than you can pretend to, & if you say that Putinha is new, you will in that be mistaken, for we took it Fortified at the same time as Ponella, which We Demolished in hopes, sho'd have had no occasion for them, & in all probability might not, if it had not been for your intruding into our Honble masters Rights & priviledges, by pretending to Set Bounds to their Servants & Trade, which We sho'd be glad to know from you, that might know our Boundarys & what you aim at, which wo'd be but honest & fair in you, & since you have been pleas'd to Harp on it in your Letter, We desire you to declare your meaning in full, for We are resolved to keep & observe the Union between the Two Crowns as have hitherto, for you are very well satisfied that Boyanore was our Friend & Allie all the time of your Late War with him & offer'd us his Hills & Country to fly our Colours, and maintain & defend against you which We might have done with as much Right & Law as you do now to Curringhoda, but as We then thought it unlawfull for us to appear in Arms against you, so We do this day think so of you, & that you are answerable for all as Specified in our Protest, for which reason We require you to forbear giving further assistance to said Curringhoda or any else against us, & that you forthwith withdraw your Forces Guns & Colours; promising on our part at all times to observe the strict Union between the Two Crowns & to Demonstrate that We are,

SIRS,
Your very humble & most Obedient Servants

ROBERT ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

FORT MOYLAN.
NOVEMBER THE 29TH. 1726. O.S.

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Receiv'd a Letter this Evening from the French Chief of Mihie, Signifying, his not having any person present to Interpret our Letter, but will send us an answer to-morrow. TUESDAY 29TH.

To MR. ADAMS & HIS
COUNCIL AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN,

Having no person here Capable to Interpret your Letter & being too late to send for one from the Ship, I defer answering it 'till to morrow, so waiting' till then beg you will believe me to be perfectly,

GENTLEMEN,
Your most humble & most Obedt. Servant,
TREMISOT.

FROM THE FRENCH FORT
AT MIHIE. DECEMBER 10TH. 1726 N.S.

Receiv'd a Letter from our Callicut Linguist of the 28th. with 170 Bales Chunam 150 Bamboos, 150 Baskets, 1 Candy Jagra cost 125 fans.14 Pickaxes at 2½ fanams each & 14 Hoos at 1½. WEDNESDAY 30TH.

Answer'd our Callicut Linguist's Letter receiv'd the 28th. Directing him to send us to the number of Five hundred Bamboos in all for our Work at Putinha, & Chunam & Timber as fast as possible. DITTO DIE.

Imported the Tellicherry Grab Capt. Henry Jordan and Jeremiah Jones Supracargos from Bengall. DECEMBER. THURSDAY 1ST.

This Evening Sailed the Prince Brigantine for Gombroon. FRYDAY 2ND.

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AT A CONSULTATION THURSDAY 1ST.

*Present*

THE RT. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD

Read & Approved our Consultation of the 28th. Instant.

On the 26th. Instant We have before remark'd our taking out of Ship Devonshire Capt. Lawrence Prince Twelve Chests of Treasure agreeable to the Order sent us by the Honble Presidt. & Council of Bombay Dated the 5th. September, this Supply Enables us to pay off our Debts, as well as providing Pepper for the Return of the Devonshire & We shall Invest what We can when the New Crop comes in, since there is not any old at present to be bought. On Examining the Debt to Robert Adams Esqr. (as ℔ his Account Annext) We find the Sum We have taken of him for our Honble Masters Service amounts to Rups. 34000, & the Interest thereon comes to 2240 Rups. both which is 36240 Rupees @ 5 Fanams each is 181200 which We AGREE to pay off at the Rate of 10½ Fanams ℔ Dollar the present Value in the Country which makes Dollar. 17257 wt. — fan. 10 vis. 4 & the remainder We will Invest as far as it will go, Reserving nothing but for the Defraying our necessary Expences for this & the Ensuing Month, having wrote to Bombay for Orders what methods We are to take for maintaining our Expences & providing the full Quantity of Pepper required.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

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Dr. The Honble Compa. in Account with Robert Adams Esqr.

| 1726. | | | | |
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| Aprill 1st. | To Rupees lent them at Interest. | | 10000 — — | |
| May 1st. | To Ditto | ... Ditto. | 20000 — — | |
| Novem-ber 1st. | To Ditto | ... Ditto. | 4000 — — | |
| | | Total ... | 34000 — — | |
| | To Account Interest Viz. | | | |
| | Interest on Rupees 10000 from the 1st. Aprill to the last Novr. is 8 months @ 1 ℔ Ct. ℔ Mensem is Rupees. | | 800 — — | |
| | Do. on 20000 for 7 Months from the 1st. May ... ... | | 1400 — — | |
| | Do. 4000 one Month ... | | 40 — — | |
| | | | 2240 — — | |
| | | Rupees ... | 36240 — — @ | |
| | 5 Fans. each is Tellicherry Fanams ... | | | 181200 — — |

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| December 1st. | By Foreign Silver for Mallabar Dollar Wt. Dollar. fans. vis. 17257 10 4 at 10½ Fanams each being the present Exchange is Fanams Tellicherry ... | | 181200 — — |

Moylan. December 1st. 1726.

Errors Excepted ℔
Robert Adams.

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At about Twelve the past night we receiv'd a Letter from the French Chief & Council of Mihie Dated the 11th. Inst. N.S. in answer to ours of the 29th. Novr. Translate of which is as follows, as also one from their Major Le Chevalier de la ffarelle to the Chief & Factors of the same Date as Enterd hereafter. THURSDAY 1ST.

To Mr. ADAMS & HIS COUNCIL
AT TELLICHERY.

GENTLEMEN,

We have receiv'd your Letter of the 29th. Novr. O.S. the reason that we did not answer to your Complaint for the Fireing at Ponella & Putinha, was because it did not belong to the Council, but the Commanding Officer, who after he has been well Inform'd, will give you a satisfactory Account.

We wish that the Sovereign Air your Letter is filled with, is only in writing & not from your Heart, We are not in Cuny Nairs Country to Incite him to War, but contrarywise to keep the Peace, & that is the principal View We have in Fortifying on Caria Cunu as well as to Secure the Country of Cuny Nair We Inhabit, & so preserve our Establishment, We assure you, if you knew the nature of the Post We have taken, you wo'd be far from having any reason to think it offensive but rather to defend & hinder any one's troubling us, for 'tis entirely to keep the Peace, & not to make War that we Fortifie this place, & We Protest Gentlemen this is the Sole Motive that makes us Act so, & have no other design than to observe strictly the Union Reigning between the Two Crowns, & moreover Sirs, this Post is on an Hill which we have possession of in good Faith, because Cuny Nair gave it us who is the Lawfull Proprietor, & all such can give what belongs to them to whom they please, if We were to account as you do of New and Old Debts which the Predecessors of Cuny Nair & himself have Contracted with the Company We shall make it appear that our pretensions are more Valid than yours, being our Debtors before they were yours, through the Antient possession We had of Ponella, & which We have renew'd since, but We won't Enter into Disputes with our Friends on a Subject that may give uneasiness, let our pretentions be ever so just, if the number of Forts you are Surprized We Build are not a proof of our Force they are of our precaution, but We have made no remarks of the number you have, you have reason to believe that We think you have raised a Fort on Putinha, rather as an Enemy than a Friend, so that you need not be astonished at the Uneasiness it gives your Neighbours, & us in particular according to the reasons We gave you in our former Letter, besides what We alledge here, reasons more than sufficient to authorize our Conduct, since We did not take the Post till after you; who having first moved in such a manner, as to give us reason to fear you designed to carry the War in this Country otherwise We co'd not Comprehend, that to take Post in the Country of Cuny Nair which We Inhabit, & which properly belongs to him & to take it in the manner We have done that is to say openly in Friendship & withall giving you Advice, it cannot be Breaking the Union between the Two Crowns, nor Infringing the Rights of the Honble Company of England, nor prescribing them Limits, unless you have a View to make Conquests in the Country of Cuny Nair, which being only Imaginary, & not Effectual, ought not, nor cannot hinder us from Settling there.

The Comparison you make between the Hills of Boyanore & Cuny Nair, with your leave does not appear just & We leave you yourselves to be Judges, the Country of Boyanore, without Entering into other Valuable reasons, being a Country in which We are Establish'd by Treaty & Grant in the same manner as we are in that of Cuny Nair, exclusive of all others, in fine, Sirs, since We beleive that We have done nothing but what We ought to do, We Submit our Conduct to the Decision & Judgement of our Masters which We wait for as well as you, & We desire you in the Interim as We have already done to rest easy. We are with Consideration

SIRS,
Your most humble & most Obedient Servts.

THE FFRENCH FORT OF MIHIE.
DECEMBER 11. 1726 N.S

TREMISOT.
DEIDIER
LE CHEVALIER DE LA FFARELLE
MOLLANDIN.

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To Mr. Adams & his Council
at Tellicherry.

Gentlemen,

The reason that I did not before answer you upon the Complaint you made upon the Account of the Guns that were fired against Moylan & the Hill you have lately taken, was because I wo'd be rightly Inform'd. In going to the place I learnt that the Nairs having heard you at work in the night that it was which obliged them to Fire the Guns which does not appear to me extraordinary, since you were going to take their Country, & if they fired at Break of day, 'twas the despair they were in that made them do it, & the Officer that was upon the sd. Post, according to my Orders hindred them, you may perceive We permitted you to work upon the Hill as long as you pleas'd, without once giving you any trouble from any of our Posts; you may be sure Sirs, that if any Officer, Serjeant, or Soldier of this Garrison, had Acted so rashly, I sho'd give you all the Justice that is due & Correct them as they deserv'd. I have the Honour to be with perfect Consideration,

Gentlemen,
Your most humble & most Obedt. Servant.
Le Chevalier de la ffarelle.

From the Fort of Mihie.
December the 11th. 1726 N.S.

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Fryday 2nd — Sailed this Evening the Tellichery Grab for Gombroon.

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Ditto Die. — At a Consultation

*Present*

The Rt. Worspll. Robert Adams Esqr. Chief.
John Johnson. — Stephen Law.
Wm. ffforbes. — Hugh Howard.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

By a Deserter that came last night from the French Fort of Caria Cunu, We are advised there is a design on foot to Fortifie on the Hill Ponella Malla which lies in less than Point Blank Shot of the Hill Putinha We have now taken in the time of our War We always frequented that Hill, Planted our Guns thereon, & indeed We as well as the whole Country Grant it to be in our Districts; the same Report of this Intent We have likewise Confirm'd to us by Caquert Nombier, & many others of the Country. The ffrench as may be observ'd by their Letter to us Treat us in a most Insolent manner, Confessing openly they look upon Curringhoda's Country as their own as well as Boyanores, not at all Considering or allowing the Validity of the Articles of Peace We formerly made with the preceeding Curringhoda Anno 1719 by which he has absolutely made over to us the Entire Trade of his Country exclusive of all Europeans; The ffrench finding us tamely Suffer their Fortifying under our Guns, are prompted to attempt a Second Breach, which sho'd we permit they will become in a manner masters of our New place Putinha since Ponella Malla is much higher & Consequently Comands it, now sho'd We come to a Rupture with them, We shall be in Extream danger, even of loosing Moylan sho'd they be in Possession of Putinha, & indeed We have made a Lodgement on the latter, purely to prevent their Annoying us from it, since things are in this State, the Chief desires our Opinion how We shall proceed in a matter of such difficulty, & as every thing belonging to our Honble Masters seems now at stake their Trade in a great measure Wrested from them & their Forts which are made to defend their Limits already in danger, & will be much

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more so, if the French are allowed to Fortifie on Ponella Malla, besides the farther ill Consequences of the Inhabitants being lyable to be Injured, which probably may Induce them to Revolt & strike in with the Strongest side, as the other Bordering Powers will undoubtedly do even through fear, if they see us quietly Sitting still, & suffering all the Injurys an Haughty people think fit to do us; therefore We think it our Duty to use all the means in our power to preserve ourselves, & do Unanimously AGREE to write immediately to the French, letting them know that as Ponella Malla belongs to our Masters, We are obliged to hinder them or any one else that may presume to attempt Settling there, & that the Chief gives Orders to the Officer on Putinha to send out people to Patrole in the night, & to use his utmost Force against any people that may attempt Lodging thereon; AGREED likewise that We bring over as many of the Country Powers as We can to our Interest to be ready to Side with us on any occasion, Copy of the Letter to Mihie & the Order to the Officer at Putinha follows this Consultation.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

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To MESSRS. TREMISOT, DE LA FFARELLE,
DEIDIER & MOLLANDIN.

GENTLEMEN,

We have receiv'd yours of the 11th. Inst. N.S. by which observe as formerly, that you take little, or no notice of our Just & true Complaints, but tell us your fireing on us the 26th. past at night & 27th. by day, the Commanding Officer will answer, & he says the Nayrs did it for fear We were coming near them, which may be allowed for the Night, but by day both he & the Nayrs might see We had no such design, and might have forbore fireing at Ponella, Putinha & Moylan as they did, 'till near noon day.

Now Gentlemen since We find that all we can write has not the Weight, which truth & reason, as well as the strict Union between the Two Crowns might expect, We have only to add that We have discharg'd our Duty, by acquainting you of our just Right, & pretensions to these parts by Right of Donation & Conquest, which if you do not allow good, know not how you will make out your own pretensions to any part, much less to all you pretend to, We request you will be so just to yourselves & us, to discover how far you design to carry your pretensions, for We are to acquaint you We are Inform'd you have a mind to make a Lodgement also on Ponella Malla, therefore We do advise you that said Hill, as well as Ponella & Putinha are in our Honble Masters Districts, and therefore as have so We shall always be on the Defensive, & shall not quietly permit any such Lodgement to be made on that, or any of our places, & that if you do attempt, or put any such thing in Action, you are the Agressours, & must be answerable for what may Ensue on such an Unlawfull Undertaking, but if you are willing to live Amicably & in good Humour with us, we shall observe the same, for do not think you have more authority to Act contrary to the good Harmony between the Two Nations than We, which We shall Study to preserve & are,

GENTLEMEN,
Your very humble & most Obedt. Servants

ROBERT ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

FORT MOYLAN.
DECEMBER 2D. 1726 O.S.

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To Capt. Alexander Douglass or the Officer that may be in Comand on the Hill Putinha.

Sir,

Having notice that the French & Curringhoda Nayr, have a design to make a Lodgement of men & Guns on Ponella Malla in defiance of yours on Putinha, wo'd have you keep by night some Nayrs, Tivees, Five or Six of your Garrison Soldiers on s^d^. Hill & Patroling all night between you & said Hill, & if you observe & find them making, or about making a Lodgement as above, use all your Endeavours to Dislodge them not permitting them to Stay there, this is to be a Standing order 'till Contradicted by me & to be given to every Commanding Officer as they come on Duty that none may plead Ignorance.

I am,
Sir,
Your Affectionate Friend to serve you
Robert Adams.

Fort Moylan.
December the 2^d^. 1726.

Fryday 2^d^. Receiv'd a Letter from the French Chief of Mihie Informing us, our Letter shall be answer'd to morrow, Copy of which is Enter'd hereafter.

To M^r^. Adams & his Council at Tellicherry.

Sirs,

I cannot answer you Letter of this Date, for the Same reasons I alledg'd in my last, so shall refer it 'till to morrow, waiting 'till then I beg you will believe that I am perfectly

Sirs,
Your most humble & most Obed^t^. Servant
Tremisot.

French Fort of Mihie.
December 13^th^. 1726. N.S.

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3^d^. This morning by an Express Boat from Onore We receiv'd a Letter from the Honble President & Council of Bombay Dated the 18^th^. Ult^o^. in answer to ours of the 11^th^. 19^th^. & 20^th^. October, they have duly consider'd our advices & remark the French aim at excluding us from the Trade of Boyanore's Country, to Clap up a Peace & then Excite Curringhoda to disturb us under pretence of recovering his places We have taken, therefore they do to prevent this Empower us to Settle a Monthly Sum with Boyanore, to encourage him to carry on the War, hoping thereby to obtain considerable advantages over them, since there is no appearance of their being Supply'd in manner they expect, as well as thereby preventing a troublesome war on ourselves, but as to Opening the Trade of Boyanore's Country 'though he gives us a Banksall, & leave to Hoist a Flag which wo'd Justifie our Complying with his Demand, yet as the French have gone great lengths, & which We are in no Capacity to call them to an Account for & the same lyes before the Honble Company, they chuse using the above means. & that We endeavour to draw off Curringhoda from their Interest, & altho' the Insolence of the French has been such as to Fire on our people, & giving Curringhoda Guns they tell us of their not being in a Condition to spare us any men to Contend with them, nor can they permit us to take any men from the Stanhope; As to the Dutch Fortifying Codala Hill they recommend to us the using our best Endeavours to prevent them, or any others getting possession to the prejudice of our Honble Masters Right to the Pepper Trade; also to use means to obtain mony

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from the Prince account his Debt & to Settle Accounts with the Samorine. The Stores We Indented for shall be Sent by the first proper opportunity, & they give us leave to receive Twenty five Barrels Gunpowder from the Stanhope by Virtue of the Order enclosed to us ; For a farther provision of Cash more than the Twelve Chests Order'd they permit us to Draw on them by the China Ship for Eighty thousand Rupees. They take notice in our Paymasters Account for September, that We Charge 150 Fanams for an Officer's Diet, mounting Guard which they will not allow & what has been Charged since the Stated allowance for Dyet, they Direct to be Refunded, likewise that We Strike off 77 Fanams for the Surgeon's Assistant. They observe our disposing part of the Cardamoms, & think it most Eligible to dispose of the reminder in the best manner We can, & if We can procure of the new Crop those that are perfectly good, that We buy Five Tons to be ready for the Devonshire. The enclosed Paquet for Anjengo they bid us forward Express, & Direct us to send some Tellicherry Bark by the first opportunity.

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At a Consultation

*Present*

The R^t. Worsp^ll. Robert Adams Esq^r. Chief. — Saturday 3d.
John Johnson. Stephen Law.
W^m. ffforbes. Hugh Howard.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

Having receiv'd a Letter this morning from the Hon̄ble President & Council of Bombay relating to the Condition of the Country about us The Chief Summons this Meeting to consider what is to be done in the present posture of affairs for our Hon̄ble Masters Interest ; the peace which Boyanore has made, hinders our making any Offers to him in relation to the permission We have given us to Settle a monthly Sum for carrying on the War, & as Cuny Nair has in a manner given himself up to the French in expectation of their Assisting him to recover his Lands, We do not see how We can put any thing in Execution to the purpose at this Juncture, but do Agree to keep a Watchfull Eye on the Country to strike in if a favourable occasion offers, to make the best use of it to our advantage & to the Credit & Interest of our Hon̄ble Masters which at present is very Low, & to Spirit up our Prince to withstand the Dutch boldly, sho'd they attempt taking his Hill of Codala. The Exception made to the Allowance given of 150 Fanams ℔ Mensem to an Officer for Dyet on Guard days as also of the Surgeon's Assistant comes next under our Consideration The Chief Urges that the Stated allowance Granted for himself to Entertain Comanders &c^a. of Ships, is very small insomuch that he is considerably out of pocket, as indeed We know he must be in this place, where all manner of provisions are excessive, dear, & since 'tis always usual for him to entertain one Officer & often more, & as it has been allow'd in this place ever since it has been a Garrison to an Officer, 'though but a Serjeant, as may be seen in our Accounts when at Board Wages, he thinks it very severe not to be allowed for it now, & much more that he sho'd be required to refund, therefore We Agree to write the Hon̄ble President & Council of Bombay, Setting forth these reasons, & to Inform them that as our Doctor is frequently out of Order, & a Considerable number of men Sick, & having no Mate only Two Assistants & a Country Doctor who will not lye in our Garrisons at night, We cannot conveniently turn off any of the Assistants especially as We have so many Outposts, where one is frequently obliged to go to, & the present apprehensions of troubles We are under. As to the Cardamoms We will use our utmost endeavours

to Sell them, & do AGREE to write to Callicutt for that purpose & if we find the new Crop answers We will procure the Quantity Order'd.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

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SATURDAY 3D. Receiv'd a Letter from the Chief & Council of Mihie Dated the 14th. Instant N.S. in answer to ours of the 2d. & also one of the same Date from the Chevalier de la ffarelle; Copy of both which are as follows.

To MR. ADAMS & HIS COUNCIL
AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN,

The answer which the Comanding Officer of our Troops of Mihie gave you, We think sho'd Satisfie you, who ought not to answer for any thing he did not order, being the fault of the Nayrs who in their Fury he co'd not Restrain, We know & you ought to believe Gentlemen that he has done every thing a man of his Character sho'd have done to remedy it, & that which Surprizes usis that you will not perceive it.

As touching yours & our pretensions of the Rights in Inhabiting Cuny Nayrs Country, which each of us believe to be just, as We cannot be Partys & Judges We must stay for the Decision of our Sovereign & Masters, We cannot hinder ill Talk, nor false reports but you Gentlemen may Chuse whether you will give ear to them, We have already told you our motives in taking Caria Cunu & made you sensible of our Intentions therein; We have wrote you & do Protest our Intentions are to preserve the good Union that Reigns between the Two Nations & We confirm by this all We have already wrote on that Subject, & We desire Gentlemen you will believe We are so far from having any design to give you Uneasiness, that as We have so We shall make it our utmost Study to keep up the Strict Amity & Fraternity which ought to be between us, & We hope you will do the same, being with a great deal of Consideration.

GENTLEMEN,
Your most humble & most Obedt. Servants

TREMISOT.
DEIDIER.
LE CHEVALIER DE LA FFARELLE.
MOLLANDIN.

FRENCH FORT OF MIHIE.
DECR. 14. 1726. N.S.

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To MR. ADAMS & HIS COUNCIL
AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN,

Having answer'd in my Letter of the 12 Inst. to the Complaint you made of our Fireing against Moylan, Ponella & Putinha, I have made all the necessary enquire to discover by what Order & why it was done, I thought that what I wrote, wo'd satisfie you on that Subject, for I took all the care I co'd to do so, & I am very much mortify'd you are not, & I am as much surprised you add We fired afternoon on the same day, no person at Curichy having seen it, nor no one at Mihie heard it, is most Certain, Gentlemn. you have been misinform'd by those that are Inclined to Aggravate you against us, for it is most surely & nothing more certain that there was not one fired, nor so much as a Priming Burnt; You may be assured Gentlemen if it had

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been so, I should have made a Publick Example of the Culpable & given you advice f it, & ' tis pity in so nice an Affair, that you will write on such Uncertain Reports. I am with Consideration,

GENTLEMEN,
Your most humble & most Obed$^{t}$ Servant
LE CHEVALIER D'LA FFARELLE.

FRENCH FORT OF MIHIE.
DECEMBER 14$^{TH}$. 1726 N.S.

Answerd the Chief & Council of Mihie their Letter receiv'd as above, Copy of which is as follows. SATURDAY 3$^{D}$.

To MESS$^{RS}$. TREMISOT, DEIDIER
DE LA FFARELLE & MOLLANDIN.

SIRS,

We have receiv'd yours, & one from the Chevalier de la ffarelle, of this Date, & observe your main strain is in Palliating things & not speaking to them as requested, now Fireing before or near noon day, is not more Excusable than afternoon, & as you have Declared that the Country of Cuny Nair is under the Protection of your King & Company as you pretend ; We shall & do look on all Acts of Hostility as done by you, and desire you will not put us off with Nayrs Fury, which We know how to Cool as well as you.

We have acquainted you in our former Letters our Districts, especially that Hill called Ponella Malla, which you seem to Disregard, & take no Notice of, We sho'd be glad to have your positive answer to that, for as have wrote you, are resolved to be on the Defensive, & not suffer that or any part of our Masters Right to be Wrested from us, by you Cuny Nair or any one, We have often repeated this request & do now again that you may not plead Ignorance, being resolved on our part if you do not oblige us to the Contrary to live in good Harmony & according to the Amity between the Two Crowns in Europe ; being with Consideration,

GENTLEMEN,
Your most humble & most Obed$^{t}$. Serv$^{ts}$.
ROBERT ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
W$^{M}$. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

FORT MOYLON.
DECEMBER 3$^{D}$. 1726. O.S.

Yesterday receiv'd a Letter from our Callicut Linguist of the 3$^{d}$. by a Munchua with 170 Bales Chunam, & 1 Teak Tree ; He has advice at Callicut that the French have Placed their Flag on Caria Cunu, as We have done on Putinha, but the former Friends of the French seem to Slacken in their Assistance to them now. MONDAY 5$^{TH}$.

This Morning receiv'd a Letter from the Chief & Councill of Mihie of the 15$^{th}$. December 1726 N.S. desiring a Conference with us, Copy of their Letter is as follows with our answer. DITTO DIE.

To M$^{R}$. ADAMS & HIS COUNCIL
AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN,

Nothing that We write seems to give you Content, perhaps if We had a Conference together, you wo'd be better pleas'd, if this is agreeable to you We desire you will let us know it that We may take measures accordingly.

We send you a Letter from Governour Pitt, that a Pattamar brought us ; We are with perfect Consideration ;

GENTLEMEN,
Your most humble & most Obed$^{t}$. Servants
TREMISOT.
DEIDIER.
MOLLANDIN.
LE CHEVALIER D LA FFARELLE

FRENCH FORT OF MIHIE.
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To Messrs. Tremisot, Deidier,
Mollandin & De la ffarelle.

Gentlemen,

We are favoured with yours of Yesterday's Date this Morning, & as nothing We write can satisfie you, & as you offer to come to a Conference, We readily Agree to it, & may take Measures accordingly.

We have receiv'd the enclosed Letter which was from Fort St. David, & are obliged to you for your care of it, & are with perfect Consideration

Gentlemen,
Your most humble & most Obedt. Servants

Tellicherry.
December the 5th. 1726 O.S.

Robert Adams.
John Johnson.
Stephen Law.
Wm. ffforbes.
Hugh Howard.

Monday 5th. Answer'd our Callicut Linguist's Letter receiv'd the 4th. Directing him to provide for us to the number of Four thousand Bales Chunam for the Compleating our Works.

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Ditto Die. At a Consultation

*Present*

The Rt. Worspll. Robert Adams Esqr. Chief.
John Johnson. Stephen Law.
Wm. ffforbes. Hugh Howard.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

The Paymaster's Account for the Month of Novr. being Deliver'd in & the Chief's Account of the Treasure, they were both Examin'd & Passed, & the Amount of the former was Directed to be paid off, Extract of the former, & Copy of the latter are Enter'd hereafter.

*Adjourn'd.*

Robt. Adams.
John Johnson.
Stephen Law.
Wm. ffforbes.
Hugh Howard.

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Abstract of the Paymaster's Account for November 1726.

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| Garrison Charges ... ... ... ... ... ... | 13882 | 11 |
| Fortification & House Repairs ... ... ... ... | 2851 | 14 |
| Board Wages ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1500 | |
| Hospitall Charges ... ... ... ... ... ... | 650 | — |
| Charges on Merchandize ... ... ... ... ... | 201 | 13 |
| Servants Wages ... ... ... ... ... ... | 958 | — |
| Wars & Tumults ... ... .. ... ... ... | 1695 | 14 |
| Account Presents ... ... ... ... ... ... | 307 | — |
| Stable Charges ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 176 | 8 |
| Petty Charges ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 605 | 6 |
| Tellicherry Fanams ... | 22829 | 12 |

## Cash.

| | | Dr. |
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| 1726. November 1st. | To Pagodas Chenagaree for 480 Exchanged at 13½ Fanams each ... ... ... | 6480 — — |

## Per Contra.

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| November. | By Garrison Stores for 10 Ream Goa Paper for Cartridges @ 5¼ Rupees each is 52½ @ 5 Fans. each is ... ... ... | 262 — 8 |
| | By Do. Spike Nails 30 lb ... ... ... | 20 — — |
| | By Do. Cartouch Cloth to the Gunner in October & November 40 Peices ... ... | 160 — — |
| | By Do. 13¾ mds. of Capat Coir @ 2¼ Fanams each is ... ... ... ... ... | 30 — 15 |
| | By Do. 4 Coile Lacadiva Coir wt. 5 at 12½. md. | 62 — 8 |
| | By Do. 2½ Maund of Junk ... ... | 25 — 8 |
| | By Do. Twine Bengall 1 Maund ... ... | 17 — 12 |
| | By Do. 11¼ Bundles Rattans ... ... | 56 — 4 |
| | By Do. 10 Mallabar Match Locks ... | 600 — — |
| 30. | By Ballance ... ... ... ... | 5245 — 01 |
| | | 6480 — — |

## Rupees.

| | | Dr. | | |
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| 1726. November 1st. | To Ballance ... ... ... ... ... | 28 | 2 | 37 |
| | To Robert Adams Esqr. took up of him at Interest this day at 1 ₱ Ct. ₱ Mensem. | 4000 | — | — |
| | | 4028 | 2 | 37 |

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| | By Stephen Law Paymr. of the Garrison... | 2499 | 3 | 20 |
| | By Garrison Charges 2 Bolts Hollands Duck | 60 | — | — |
| | By Ballance ... ... ... ... | 1473 | 3 | 17 |
| | | 4028 | 2 | 37 |

## Foreign Silver.

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| November 30. | To Ballance 960 half Pagodas is whole. | 480 — — | November 1st. | By Cash for 960 half Pagodas Exch[a]. is whole ... ... | 480 — — |

Tellicherry November 30. 1726.
Errors Excepted
Pr. Robert Adams.

Tuesday 6th.

At a Consultation

*Present.*

The Rt. Worspll. Robert Adams Esq. Chief.
John Johnson. Stephen Law.
Wm. ffforbes. Hugh Howard.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

There is at present an Assembly of part of the Nombiers & other Friends of Curringhoda in Consultation with the French to Fortifie a large Hill that lies within Moylan in the distance of a random Shot from thence, part of the people living thereabouts are under the Protection of said Curringhoda, who has in view, by taking these measures to hinder our Communication with the Country in land, & so bring over to him another Party, who at this juncture seem to side with us, if this sho'd be Effected We shall be Shut up in our Districts & they will be very near us, to make Incursions, for there is only a large Verge that parts us We have already too many places to maintain, considering our feeble Garrison; but the Prince being here as well as the Nombiers our Friends they offer to take upon themselves the Securing s[d]. place, & only require of us the feeding their people & two or three Small Guns & Gunners Certain We are, that Curringhoda is endeavouring to give us trouble & will use his utmost Efforts to disturb us in our places. The Chief therefore desires We will seriously consider of the proper measures to be taken at this time, the Country being in Such Disorder & We so lyable to be Attackt by our Enemys, Strengthned & Supported by the French, & We weighing the nature of this Affair & the ill Effects of their being such near Neighbours, we do Agree that our Prince & Nombiers shall Secure that place & We will be at the Expence.

*Adjourn'd.*

Robt. Adams.
John Johnson.
Stephen Law.
Wm. ffforbes.
Hugh Howard.

Tuesday 6th. This Evening Imported Ship Mary Gold Capt. Henry Baynton Thomas Smith Supracargo from Bengall.

[Ditto Die.] On the 4th. Inst. the Nombiers our Friends, being Muta, Caquert, and Chandrote came to the Fort & have been in Consult together ever since this day they met the Prince here promising to continue steady to our Interest, but as things are very Mutable, they required We wo'd be reciprocal with them & Settle in writing, that since Curringhoda has fired upon us & still designs to trouble us, We shall Engage to assist them against him, Sho'd he War on them, for they have no Quarrell with him, but upon our Account & as 'tis highly necessary to Cultivate a good understanding with these men, they being our only Friends this way, We gave them in Writing as follows "That as Curringhoda Nayr has broke with us, & they being on our "side We promise to keep a good Amity, and Friendship with them, & We

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" will not Enter into any Agreement with s[d]. Nayr without giving them Notice & " Consulting with them, & if he sho'd use forcible means to detriment them We will " give them what assistance We can

The said Nombiers gave us another Writing, promising to observe on their parts a Strict Amity with us, & not to side or hold any Correspondence with Curringhoda Nayr or his Adherents without our previous License, & our Prince receiv'd from them an Ola that they wo'd Stand by him & Execute his Commands, depending on his favour & protection.

Imported the Balls Gally Cap[t]. John Bell from Bengall DITTO DITTO

This Evening We receiv'd a Letter from the Chief & Council of Mihie of the 18[th]. Ins[t]. N.S. Translate of which with our answer are as follows. WEDNESDAY 7[TH].

To M[R]. ADAMS & HIS COUNCIL AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN,

We have receiv'd your Letter by which you Seem to be of the Same mind with us to Conferr on the affairs of our Companys, so that it only wants each of us to Name a person Authorized for that purpose & Agree on the time & place laying aside all Ceremony We may Conferr sometimes at Tellicherry & sometimes at Mihie, or any other place, you may explain yourselves to Mons[r]. Louet who is Employ'd by our Company, who is the Bearer of this We are with perfect Consideration.

GENTLEMEN
Your most humble & most Obed[t].
Servants

TREMISOT.
DEIDIER.
LE CHEVALIER D LA FFARELLE.
MOLLANDIN.

FRENCH FORT OF MIHIE.
DECEMBER 18. 1726 N.S.

To MESS[RS]. TREMISOT, DEIDIER,
DE LA FFARELLE & MOLLANDIN.

GENTLEMEN,

We are favour'd with yours of this Date, by which you Express your Satisfaction of our readily Agreeing to a Conference, & laying aside all Ceremony We wo'd appoint time & place, to meet your good Intentions We have Discoursed with M[r]. Louet, & do Agree that you may Depute & send to Tellicherry persons by you Constituted on Fryday the 9[th]. of this present Month Dec. whom shall not faile to receive & Converse with & demonstrate with all Candour & good Will how Sincerely We are,

GENTLEMEN,
Your most Obedient & most humble Serv[ts].

ROBERT ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
W[M]. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

TELLICHERRY.
DECEMBER 7. 1726. O.S

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WEDNESDAY 7TH. This Evening Sailed the Balls Gally for Bombay, by whom We sent Copy of our last Letter to the Hoñble Presidt. & Council of Bombay under the 25th. Ultimo, Three Cancell'd Bonds for Ten thousand, Twenty thousand & Four thousand, Rupees paid Robert Adams Esq. with the Interest due thereon & his Account Currant, Translate of all the French Letters from the 27th. November to this time with our answers, & advised them the State of this Country, Setting forth in a very strenuous manner the Insults & Abuses We have receiv'd from the French. The Ship Mary Gold Sailed also for Persia.

THURSDAY 8TH. This Evening Imported Ship Stanhope Capt. Wentworth George Pitt from England.

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FFRYDAY 9TH.

AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*

THE Rt. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQ. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

The Governour & Council of Bombay having been pleas'd in their Letter of the 6th. September 1726. to Order us to make a tender to the Commander of any of our Hoñble Masters Ships from England of what Pepper We have in Warehouse, & on refusall to Protest against him, We therefore have Comply'd with the same & given Capt. Pitt a Protest, since he Signifies to us he cannot possibly take in any Pepper, the ship being extream full and Pester'd We have sent an Indent to Bombay for Stores & prest for a Supply, the Hoñble President & Council have Directed us to receive Twenty five Barrels of Europe Gunpowder, & the other things shall be sent, as soon as a Conveyance offers, but our Necessitys are such for Arms, that should We come to an Engagement, We have not wherewith by us to make up for those which probably may be Damaged; therefore We do AGREE to take out of the Stanhope One hundred Muskets, & as we have Five ffrench Men who are Refractory & One Portuguese, We do likewise AGREE to send'em up to Bombay & to receive Ten Englishmen, & also send up Four Topasses who are Married at Bombay, We are obliged to this through the great Streights We are in, most of our Soldiers being on Constant Duty & hourly expecting the Enemy to Attack us.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

DITTO DIE This Evening We receiv'd One hundred Musquets, Fifty with & Fifty without Bayonets, Twenty five Barrels of Gunpowder & Ten Englishmen out of the Stanhope, & gave Capt. Pitt a receipt for the same, We wrote a Letter by that Ship to the Hoñble President & Council of Bombay advising what We had receiv'd & enclosed Copy of our Protest to the Capt. for not taking in Pepper, List of Stores receiv'd; Copy of Robert Adams Esq. his Account Currant with the Hoñble Company; Translate of a Letter from Mihie of this Date with our Answer, & wrote the necessary relating to the Settlement, & forwarded our Books of Accounts, Paymasters Accots. Diary, Muster Rolls, List of Ships Arrived & Sail'd; Callicut Charges for the Year from August 1725 to the last of July 1726 with the Translate of Letters from Mihie with our answers from the 8th. December N.S. to the 18th. Do. N.S. 1726.

DITTO DIE. The French of Mihie having proposed a Conference with us & We accepting it, sent Monsr. Louet a Writer whom they term their Second to Treat with us who produced a Power to do so, Signed by the Chief & Council & brought us a Letter from them he told us that as We had Objected in our Letters that We had no clear answer to what We wrote he wo'd Explain those parts to us, We did indeed as may be

observed in our Letters Signify to them our Right to the Hill Ponella Malla where We understood they intended to Fortifie, & that our Resolution was to maintain our Districts against every one who sho'd attempt to Violate them, but to this they sent us a Waving answer not at all satisfactory, so We repeated the same in another Letter & then they proposed a Conference, to this particular he Inform'd us, that their desire was to keep a good Understanding with us, & wo'd not offer to Molest anything within, our Districts, but when We told him, that the Hill Caria Cunu was so, & under our Guns, where they have now Fortified, he insisted that it was made over to them by the Lawfull Proprietor Cuny Nair, & when We urged that point home to him, offering to prove our prior Right to his whole Country, he Inform'd us of their former Settlement of Ponella, to this the Chief who had a perfect remembrance of the Affair, gave severall reasons, that they could prove nothing from that, because the King obliged them to forsake it, & they never had more than an House hired of a Moor Merchant, without Hoisting a Flag, or Enjoying an Inch of Ground, & since We have Conquer'd it, & by the Articles of Peace with Curringhoda Corriporinour Anno 1719. Signed in the Presence, & by the Consent of the King and Country, We are to Enjoy the whole Trade & use thereof, he then Proposed that We sho'd appoint a person to go to Mihie to argue on this matter, for he was not sufficient, therefore We answer'd their Letter receiv'd & promis'd to send one on Monday next the 12 Ins$^{t}$. Translate of their Letter & our Answer are Enter'd hereafter.

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To M$^{rs}$. Adams & his
Council at Tellicherry.

Gentlemen,

The Intention We aim is, to seek all occasions to preserve the Tranqu iity & Quiet so necessary to the Commerce of the Two Companys, We have Choose M$^{r}$. Louet Second of this Settlement, who will Communicate to you the power he has to Confer on that subject; We are with a great deale of Consideration,

Gentlemen,
Your most humble & Obedient Servants
Tremisot.
Deidier.
Mollandin.
Le Chevalier de la ffarelle.

French Fort of Mihie.
December 20. 1726. N.S.

To M$^{r}$. Tremisot & his Council
at Mihie.

Sirs.

We have been favour'd with yours by M$^{r}$. Louet of this Date, who has produced his power given by you to Treat of the affairs of our Companys, to which We readily Agreed, but there Occurred some matters, which he co'd not give a positive Reply to, which he will Communicate to you, & has requested us to send a person to wait on you, which We shall do on Monday the 12$^{th}$. Ins$^{t}$. & are with a great deale of Consideration,

Sirs,
Your most humble & most Obed$^{t}$. Servants
Robert Adams.
John Johnson.
Stephen Law.
W. ffforbes.
Hugh Howard.

Tellicherry.
December 9$^{th}$. 1726 O.S.

Receiv'd a Letter from our Callicut Linguist of the 8$^{th}$. December, by a Fryday Munchua with 170 Bales Chunam, & one Teak Tree, he is providing the Chunam We wrote for & will Continue sending it up; Pepper is at 25 Narodys, it's reported the Dutch have sent Twenty five men to a place called Edicute to hinder Pepper being 9$^{th}$.

bro$^{t}$. to Penaney their Factor has left the place & gone with his Family on Board their Sloop that is Cruizing off s$^{d}$. place, & 'tis thought they will hinder the bringing away of Pepper, from Penaney Price of Coins at Callicut are as follows.

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| Dollars ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 9„ 6. |
| Rupees ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 4„ 6. |
| Venetians ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 17„ 10. |
| Gold Rupees ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 53„ 8. |
| Icaree Pagodas ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 15„ 6. |

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AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*

THE R$^{T}$. WORSP$^{LL}$. ROBERT ADAMS ESQ$^{R}$. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
W$^{m}$. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

MONDAY 12$^{TH}$. The ffrench having appointed one whom they called their Second on the 9$^{th}$. Ins$^{t}$. to Treat with us, & he not being able to answer to some particulars, We did in our answer to them, promise to send a person to them from hence on this day to Discourse with them, which indeed We shall Comply with, purely to Demonstrate how ready We are to Cultivate a good understanding & 'twill be their Fault if they do not Correspond with us in the same, therefore We do AGREE that Mess$^{rs}$. Law & Forbes shall go to Mihie to Treat with them on the Affairs relating to our Hoñble Masters; who are Empowerd to ask, hear & reply to such particulars as may be proper to discourse of, & even to Settle & Agree in any thing which may be agreeable to our Interest & Quiet; but if they sho'd be so unreasonable as to require of us things to our prejudice, they are to be Inform'd We will not give up our Hoñble Masters Rights, & the matter shall be Referred to our Superiours; We also AGREE to write the French of Mihie that We have Nominated the above Persons & hope they will propose nothing but what is reasonable & Agreeable to the Union of our Nations; Copy of our Letter follows this Consultation.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROB$^{T}$. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
W$^{M}$. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

To M$^{R}$. TREMISOT & HIS
COUNCIL OF MIHIE.

SIRS,

In Complyance to our promise of the 9$^{th}$. Ins$^{t}$. & to shew our good Intention to an Amicable & good Harmony with you, do now send Mess$^{rs}$. Stephen Law, & W$^{m}$. fforbes of Council here, to Treat, hear & reply to any thing you have to say & to Settle anything that in reason & Consonant to the Laws of nations you can desire, hoping you will not be so unjust to us & yourselves as to expect any Condescentions that may be pernicious to our Honourable Masters Interest or to the Discredit of the English Nation.

We are with Sincerity,
GENTLEMEN,
Your most humble & most Obedient Servants,

TELLICHERRY.
DECEMBER 12$^{TH}$. 1726 O.S.

ROBERT ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
W$^{M}$. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

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Pursuant to the preceeding Consultation Messrs. Law & Forbes went yesterday to Mihie & return'd this morning, They Inform us that in discourse with the French Chief & Council they Insisted strenuously on our Right to Curringhoda's Country exclusive of all others, but according to their usual manner, they pretended thereto by Virtue of a former Grant from Curringhoda Corriporinour they ought to be absolute in the Enjoyment of his Country which was really given them when they were at Ponella & the same is to be Demonstrated by the Ola they have now in possession, & although We urged many reasons & Arguments to Convince them of the Invalidity of such a Grant & particularly of our Conquest, as well as their never having more than an hired House there & the same person, who permitted them to come in did in Concert with the Prince turn them out, so they have neither Right by Donative or Conquest, nor did they ever pretend to any 'till now, yet they wo'd by no means allow of our Claim, but as they say We may remain Quiet, they propose referring the matter to the Decision of our Superiours, & in the mean time to settle on Limits for each Party, and Curringhoda's Country to be free to each, & according to this Tenour they wrote us in answer to our Letter; Translate of which from the Portuguese is Enter'd hereafter; That Language they desire we will Correspond in for the future for they are puzled to Interpret our English in which We will acquiesce. TUESDAY 13TH.

To Mr. Adams Chief & Council of the Mallabar Coast for the Honble English Company of Great Brittain.

Sirs,

We receiv'd yours on the Arrival of Messrs. Law & fforbes which gave us great pleasure, to observe a way begun for a Tranquility & durable Quiet for the Augmenting our Companys & the Benefit of their Trade; We propose the suspending each others pretensions in Cuny Nairs Country as to our Establishing there to the Decision of our Superiours & Masters, & as that Country will not be wanting to give motives of disturbance when either one or the other goes with Arms, let it therefore remain with Limits free, Mediating a Friendship with Cuny Nayr, & for the Benefit & Love of Tranquility it is convenient he sho'd Enjoy his places on this side Putinha & Ponella, also of those to the Eastward of Ponella, understanding that this Proposition shall not prejudice the Enjoyment of places We have no knowledge of & which he is now actually Enjoying that We cannot mention, not being in the Contest.

We desire you will receive this as a Simple Proposition which is for nothing else than for the Love We have for the Common Tranquility. We are,

Your Humble Servants

Tremisot.
Deidier.
Le Chevalier de la ffarelle.
Mollandin.

Mihie.
23d. December 1726. N.S.

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Yesterday Evening We receiv'd a Letter from the Chief & Factors of Anjengo Dated the 6th. Inst. acknowledging the recet of ours of the 26th. past, they Inform us they will apply their Stock towards getting a Quantity of Pepper as far as it will go & advise us from time to time of the Quantity in Warehouse; their Plank at Callicut they intend to send for speedily, & by that Conveyance will advise what may be necessary. TUESDAY 13TH.

Wrote an Answer to the Chief & Council of Mihie their Letter receiv'd this morning as follows. DITTO DIE

To Mr. Tremisot & his Council at Mihie.

Sirs,

By the return of Messrs. Law & fforbes receiv'd yours this morning of yesterday's Date, in answer to ours by them of the same Date, by which learn what was the subject of your Conference & also of the Letter to which We shall Reply

That to Gain that Excellent point of Quiet & Tranquility so often made use of by you, We shall not be wanting what in us lies, being very desirous to keep up the good Harmony that is Settled between the Two Crowns & Nations in Europe, but how that is to be expected, while you dispute Our Antient Right, & Possession We cannot see, & not only that but you Excite Curringhoda Nayr to Vex & Disturb the Tranquility of his Country by giving him protection & all necessarys to do it, therefore We to shew how ready We are to Agree, that his Country may be free to Trade & Commerce, will, as have always done, Suffer him, his merchants, or others to come, Trade, Traffick & Dispute, as also Settle with him any demand he may have with us for any part of his Country, & not only allow but assist him to Manure, Cultivate & let out for his use all & every such parcels of Ground that do of Right belong to him, by which his Country may be of use & Communicable as formerly without Reserve or hinderance from us, & hope you will in Complyance of your often repeated desire to live Amicably & in good Will to us on your part, heartily Enter into the methods of attaining those desired Conclusions, & not directly or Indirectly, Aid, Abett, or Assist, not only Curringhoda, but any of the Grandees, or Princes against us, & We shall observe the same.

As find your Conference yesterday run much on your prior Right to Ponella, are sorry to find M^r^. Mollandin should maintain such an Argument, contrary to all Truth & reason, for he very well knows you had only an Hired House of a Moor Man by Name Tye Pocuro, & that when M^r^. Sowden Supracargo of Ship Monsoon of Bengall was forcibly with his Escrutore, taken out by the said Curringhoda, that when We demanded him of M^r^. Peter Fuit then Chief of Callicut, he excused himself by saying it was not the Company's but the Moor Merch^t^. to whom he paid Rent monthly, & after that when the Prince & Curringhoda came to seize the House & Pepper, & he requested our Assistance, he acknowledg'd the same, & promis'd wo'd never on any Account Settle or Inhabit in said place again, farther We find your Conference run on manuring a Verge adjacent to Caria Cunu, which has for some years past lain fallow, We request you wo'd not offer to interfere with any of our Hoñble Masters Rights or pretensions, & that you may not plead Ignorance, We do again Assert them that is from Upalla Canddi to Ponella Malla N°. & S°. & what may be to the W^t^. ward of s^d^. places, or with them & Tellicherry Fort to Moohara & Codolee.

Notwithstanding what We have wrote above, if you, Curringhoda or any one has any thing to offer, in Contradiction of what above Claimed by us, We are ready to hear & answer all Objections, being resolved what in us lies to give him, you or any one all the Demonstrations reasonable that We are hearty, & sincere in our Endeavours to Cultivate a good understanding between the Country & us, & especially with you of the French Nation, In hopes we shall meet with the same from you & that you will not expect, We shall give up any of our Hoñble Masters Rights, and pretensions in these Parts. We are,

GENTLEMEN,
Your humble Servants
ROBERT ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
W^m^. FORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

TELLICHERRY.
DECEMBER 13^TH^. 1726 O.S.

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TUESDAY 13^TH^. This Evening We receiv'd certain Intelligence that Curringhoda had Assembled Six hundred men of his own & Friends, to attack our Fort of Putinha, it was to have been put in Execution last night, but for some reasons they intended to deferr it a day or two, upon this news the Chief Directed the Officer at Putinha to be on the Watch, & that He, at Moylan should Succour him with all the Men he co'd spare on any occasion, the same likewise sho'd be done from hence.

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At twelve last night We receiv'd a Letter from Mihie, acknowledging the recet of ours, but as Christmas was begun they wo'd answer it after the Feast, Translate, of which from the Portugueze is as follows. WEDNESDAY 14TH.

To MR. ROBERT ADAMS CHIEF FOR
THE HONBLE COMPA. OF ENGLAND
&CA. COUNCIL AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

As this is late in the Evening, & as We have begun our Feast of Christmas, request you wo'd have it in good part the delay of the Answer you did us the Honr. to write us 'till the Feast is over. We are,

SIRS,
Your humble Servants

MIHIE. TREMISOT.
DECEMBER 24TH. 1726. N.S. MOLLANDIN

Receiv'd a Letter from our Callicut Linguist of the 13th. by a Munchua with 170 Bales Chunam, One Teak Tree 13 Hoes @ 1½ Fans. each & 7 Hatchets @ 2½ Fans. each. He advises us that the Dutch keep Two Sloops off Penaney River who Examine all Munchuas going there, their Factor is return'd & lately they have taken a Munchua with French Pass & Colours which was carry'd by a Sloop to Cochin the former Munchua which they took with the French Pass, & Colours they refuse returning & even answering the Letter the French wrote them in demand of her. THURSDAY 15TH.

Answer'd our Callicut Linguists Letter Directing him to send us by every occasion the price of Pepper, & advise what he hears concerning the Dutch &cs. DITTO DIE.

Within the past seven days We have had several Fires in our Limits, part of the Buzar burnt, & the whole Town in extream danger, & the Villany carry'd on for severall nights together We have been using all means to find out who it is that has been the Author, & at last have pitcht on a Boy of about fourteen Years of Age who Confesses the Fact, whose Examination will be taken Notice of hereafter. SATURDAY 17TH.

By a Munchua from Callicut with 170 Bales Chunam, & 1 Teak Tree, We receiv'd a Letter from our Callicut Linguist of the 18 Ins[t.] Pepper is there at 24½ to 25 Ibrahims ℔ Candy, & Price of Coins as follows. MONDAY 19TH.

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| Dollars | 9·6 |
| Rupees | 4·6½ |
| Venetians | 17·10 |
| Gold Rupees | 53·8 |
| Icaree Pagodas | 15·6 |
| Negapatam Do. | 14·6 |

The Dutch still keep the French Munchua, in demand of which it was Confidently reported their Ship wo'd go to Cochin, but an Order from Mihie Contradicted it, & they have sent a French man in a Tony with a Drum which is to be Beat, if the Dutch refuse receiving the Letter which he Carry'd. This is the Currant Report at Callicutt.

This Morning by a Letter from our Callicut Linguist of the 19th. We are Inform'd the Dutch did on the 16th. Insr. take a small Munchua of his coming from the So. ward with our Pass & Colours, Laden with Jagra & Cloth, She is put into Cochin River & the people not sufferd to have any Refreshments even of Water from the Shore; he desires We will take what methods We think proper in the Affair. TUESDAY 20TH.

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DITTO DIE.

AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*

THE RT. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & Approved our Consultation of the 12th. Instant.

The Dutch having detain'd & carry'd into Cochin River a small Munchua with our Pass & Colours, belonging to our Callicut Linguist as We have above Remark'd ; The Chief asks our Opinion what We are to do in this matter, & as 'tis proper for us to Claim sd. Munchua since She belongs to us, & has our Hoñble Masters Protection, We do therefore AGREE to write the Commodore & Council of Cochin a Letter to Signify She is ours, & desiring She may be forthwith Releas'd upon the receipt of our Advices if She is not already come away, & as We shall be at a Loss to Interpret Dutch, we will send a Translate of our Letter in Portugueze requesting they will do the same that We may understand their answer, Copy of which Letter follows this Consultation.

One David Mylne a Soldier of this Garrison that came out of the Stanhope the 9th. Inst. at night produced us a Will of another soldier of his Name & was related to him, who was unfortunately Drown'd at Moylan Washing his Body in the Sea the 15th. Inst. in the Morning, sd. Will is Enter'd in a Book signed David Mylne & Sealed which gives him full Title to all he brought out with him, to be in force the term of the Voyage, now as the Person's Death was so sudden, & as We cannot find the Deceas'd has since his being here made any Alteration, We do AGREE that he shall apply to his own use all the Deceasd's things but if any Demand sho'd be made hereafter, he stands answerable for the same, being Valued at Fanams Tellicherry One hundred Thirty eight.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

TO THE HONBLE JACOB DE YONG
COMMANDORE &CA. COUNCIL AT COCHIN.

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS,

By Express Boat from Callicut We have advice that on the 16th. Inst. a Sloop belonging to you met a Munchua or small Pall of ours, Employ'd by us to the Port of Quiletchee on a Voyage, & have Carry'd her to Cochin, as are insensible what might be the Inducement for the Master of the Sloop for so doing, We take this way of applying to you, requesting you will do us Justice, & not detain the Boat, Men or Goods, after the Receipt of this, if not done before.

As We have no one with us that can write Dutch We take this way & enclosed goes the Copy in the Portugueze Language, requesting you will do the same to us.

We are,
HONBLE SIR & SIRS,
Your Good Friends & humble Servants
ROBERT ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

TELLICHERRY.
DECEMBER 20TH. 1726.

—— *DECEMBER 1726* ——

Wrote a Letter to our Callicut Linguist, Enclosing ours to Cochin, Directing him to forward it Express. TUESDAY 20TH.

This day Messrs. Law Howard, Douglass & Gibbs gave in the Confession of the Boy, belonging to Joam Swarer who does acknowledge, that he himself did without being Enticed thereto by any one set fire to the severall Houses & Shops mentioned in said Confession, by which our Inhabitants have suffer'd to the amount of Ten or Fifteen thousand Fanams, according to the best & nearest Computation We can make The examination & Confession is as follows. DITTO DIE.

TELLICHERRY MONDAY DECEMBER 19TH. 1726.

The Worspll. Robert Adams Esqr. Chief, & Council requiring us Stephen Law, Hugh Howard, Alexander Douglass, & William Gibbs, to Examine one Pedro a slave Boy of Joam Swarer, Servant of this Garrison, who has for a Considerable time past set fire to many Houses & Warehouses in this place, which Consumed the Effects of many of our Inhabitants, & has been of very great Loss & Detriment to them.

Question'd if he put fire to an House of one Macquena a year & half since Replyd No, nor in any Houses on the Matambee or near thereabouts, exclusive of a shop by the Water side.

He Confesses to have set fire to Derick Johnson's House, & to Paul Swarer Houses about a Year since, by Cloth enclosed in Dry'd Cow Dung.

He Denys to have set fire, or knows he who did to Laffleur's House or to Julian's Cook Room

He Confesses to have set fire to Carlas Magellas his House above Six Months past.

He Confesses that about fifteen days past, he took a proper occasion to fire the House of James Andrews Corporall, at about seven in the morning with a Cloth fired, & enclosed in Cow Dung, but that happily being put out He Declares a Moor Man now in Custody did put fire to said House at Eleven at Night again, & he stood at a small Distance off, & that the said Moor 'till this was put in Execution lay with him in Joam Swarer his Masters House.

He Confesses to have put fire on the Eves of a Shop some days since which was put out by Lievt. Gibbs & Soldiers as going to Moylan ; He Declares that the Morning before the Buzar was burnt he met with the Moor abovemention'd at the Matambee, who bid him keep Secrecy for they wo'd set fire to the Buzar the Ensuing night, accordingly the Moor met him again in the Evening by his masters House, bid him be ready & he the Moor wo'd lye under the Eves of a Vacant Shop 'till he should call him ; At about Two in the morning he got up, took a Rag twisted it & after Setting it on fire, enclosed it in Dry'd Cow Dung, then he & a little Muckway Boy named Chimba went & waked the Moor, they divided the fire, the Moor put fire to a Shop near the Hospital, & he did the same to another near Capt. Douglass's Hedge. He Declares that he did not see the Moor again 'till the time he was taken up in the Buzar on Saturday the 17th. Instant.

He Confesses to have Set fire to the House of one Bernard Rodrigues, & that a Muckway Boy named Carembela was in his Company.

He Confesses to have Set fire to a Washerman's House & no one was with him ; as he likewise did to a shop in the muckwary. He Denys to have Set fire to Christian Saxenburghs House or to Francisco De Cruces, or to Tagies or to Mendonces, or to Graftons, or to the Muckway's House under the Bastian.

TUESDAY DECEMBER 20TH. 1726.

This morning Pedro a slave Boy of Joam Swarer being further Examin'd, & means used to bring him to a free Declaration of the Truth, the Two muckway Boys being present to Confront him, after severall Equivocations not as to the Fact but in relation to the moor, he did in fine positively Declare that he did himself without the

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Assistance of any one Set fire to the Houses &c$^{a}$. before mention'd purely to Gratify his Mischievous Inclination to see the Flames as well as to Steal, & does Affirm neither Moor or any one else was present exclusive of the Two muckway Boys, or did any one Excite him or Entice him to this Horrible Mischief, & indeed this Confession appears to us true & Genuine; He also does assure us, the said muckway Boys were no ways inclined to be with him in these Executions, nor really can We think them Capable of Contriving such, as they are but Children; & in all our Enquirys they have never Deviated from what they first said. In Confirmation of the above We hereunto set our Hands.

STEPHEN LAW.
HUGH HOWARD.
ALEXANDER DOUGLASS.
W$^{M}$. GIBBS.

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The Confession of Carembela a muckway Boy of about Seven Years of Age relating to the Fire.

That Pedro Joam Swarer his slave Boy prest him some days since to lye with him in Swarer House, promising him Jagra; one night he Roused him to Gather Cow Dung; he saw in his Hands a Rowled Cloth Dipt in Oil which at first Flamed but was immediately Stifled by another Cloth thrown over it with this he went out & Carembela with him & set fire to Two Houses, He then Separated from said Pedro, & return'd to the House; aforetime Pedro told him he had Burnt the Shops & got some Beetlenut, he says he never saw any moor with him, nor has he partook of any thing he Stole more than a Coconutt.

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The Confession of Chimba a muckway Boy of about Five Years old.

That being one night at play before our Linguists House Pedro took him by the Hand, carry'd him to Joam Swarer his House, & gave him Victuals, after which he slept 'till waked by Pedro, who bid him go out along with him, to which he was not Inclined, but being struck & much perswaded, he proceeded with said Pedro in whose Hands was fire which he saw him put to Two shops in the Buzar, upon this he ran away frightned at the Flame, & Pedro came into the House presently after with about Two hundred Beetlenuts; The night following he went with him again to set fire to a Woman's House, but Declares neither a Moor or any one else went with them at either of these times. To the above Two Confessions We do Attest.

STEPHEN LAW.
HUGH HOWARD.
ALEXANDER DOUGLASS.
W$^{M}$. GIBBS.

WEDNESDAY 21$^{ST}$. This Evening by Two ffrench Men from Mihie receiv'd a Letter from the Chief & Council Dated the 31$^{st}$. Ins$^{t}$. N.S. Translate of which with our Answer are as follows.

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To M$^{R}$. ROBERT ADAMS CHIEF FOR THE
HONBLE COMPANY OF ENGLAND &C$^{A}$.
COUNCIL AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS,

When We made propositions to you for an agreement between you & Cuny Nayr it was only from the desire We had to procure between you both Peace & Tranquility which is Convenient for those in this Country for their Trade, & not as

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you Intimate in your Letter from any Inclination to Enter into any Regulation of the Districts of your Honble Company We perceive therefore you refuse our intermedling; however We have always the same good Will, & We desire to Settle on some method of Agreement that is Convenient for you, being always with perfect Consideration.

SIRS,
Your humble Servants
TREMISOT.
DEIDIER.
MOLLANDIN.
LE CHEVALIER DE LA FFARELLE.

MIHIE.
DECEMBER 31ST. 1726. N.S.

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To MR. TREMISOT CHIEF FOR THE ROYALL COMPANY OF FRANCE &CA. COUNCIL OF MIHIE.
SRS.

We have receiv'd yours of the 24th & 31st. December N.S. to the first We waited your Christmas being over as you requested, to the latter We reply, that our Honble Masters Rights & Priviledges We shall always Support what in us lies, but if you or any one can bring Curringhoda into a Sence of the Abuses & Detriment he has done our Honble Masters & Capacitate him to make Satisfaction for it, so that they, & their Servants may Enjoy the Antient Tranquility of this Country We shall readily Accept of your Mediation; & shall always be with Consideration.

GENTLEMEN,
Your humble Servants
ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

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On the 17th. Inst. the Chief wrote an Ola to Boyanore, Translate of which from the Mallabars is as follows. "That he had often promis'd to Appoint people to make "up the Accounts of the Honble Company,& his not Complying therewith is prejudicial, "since his Merchants offer to Trade, & as our Accounts are Unfinished, We are Scru- "pulous of Trafficking with them; therefore 'twill be necessary the Accounts are "Settled in order for our giving advice to Bombay, & thereby Confirm his good Incli- "nation to Continue in Friendship with the Honble Company. To this He reply'd on "this day as follows. That having severall Accounts in hand to finish, he has not yet "appointed people to come to us for that purpose; & the persons proper have been "very Busy; He desires We will not let his Merchants have any mony 'till our "Accounts are made up, to do which he will order people before the Concluding the "present month." WEDNESDAY 21ST.

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AT A CONSULTATION FRIDAY 23D.

*Present*

THE RT. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & Approved our Consultation of the 20th. Inst.

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On our Seriously Weighing the Nature of the Confession given in by Messrs. Law Howard, Douglass & Gibbs relating to the Horrid Mischief done by a Boy of about Fourteen Years of Age, in Setting fire for a Considerable time past to the Houses & Shops of our Inhabitants to the extream Damage of many people & their utter Ruin; We are Unanimous in our Opinion, that such Villany ought not to be punished with any thing less than Death which will be a means to Deter others from Committing such Actions, & as We have a great number of people about us, & such sort of mischief as this Criminall has done being of the worst Consequence to their Lives & Estates; We do AGREE that the Country Justice takes place, & as our Prince is now here We shall leave it to him to Execute it, & therefore will deliver the Boy up to him this day.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD

SATURDAY 24TH. Receiv'd a Letter from the Chief & Council of Mihie Dated January 3d. 1727 N.S. which with our Answer thereto are as follows.

To MR. ROBERT ADAMS CHIEF OF THE
MALLABAR COAST FOR THE HONBLE
COMPA. OF GREAT BRITTAIN &CA. COUNCIL
AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN,

We have receiv'd yours of the 21st. DecR. O.S.

Now as you are inclined to Accept of our Mediation & thereby bring Curringhoda to give you Satisfaction, We desire you will please to acquaint us of the Nature of the Satisfaction you want of him; that We may take ways & means to Effect this Affair to your desire, for you may be assured on our part We shall always be with Consideration,

SIRS,
Your humble Servants
TREMISOT.
DEIDIER.

MIHIE.
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To MR. TREMISOT CHIEF FOR THE ROYALL
COMPANY OF FRANCE &CA. COUNCIL
OF MIHIE.

SIRS,

We have receiv'd yours of the 3d. January 1727 N.S. this day.

You are very Sensible what was the Antient Tranquility We had in Curringhoda's Country which We have in all our Letters advised you of, & he knows very well what is Contain'd in his Uncles Articles made with us in 1719. in presence of his King, Father & many others, if you can restore us to that, & give us Satisfaction for Damages occasion'd by his unreasonable Warring on us; We shall be with Consideration.

SIRS
Your humble Servants
ROBERT ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

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Receiv'd a Letter from our Callicut Linguist of the 22d. by a Munchua with 170 Bales Chunam & 200 Bamboos. Pepper continues at 24 to 24½ Ibrahims; The Dutch have let go the French Chief's Munchua lately taken, but still detain the former which had their Pass & Colours; the Letter We wrote the Commodore & Council of Cochin he forwarded Express the 22d. SATURDAY 24TH.

Yesterday Evening We receiv'd a Letter from the Chief & Factors of Anjengo Dated the 19th. Inst. in answer to ours of the 3d. D°. they have detain'd the Boat so long to get their advices ready for Bombay, the Packet Enclosed to us for the Hoñble President, and Council, they desire may be forwarded Express, & not detain'd as formerly upon any Account of necessary Advices from this Settlement. They cannot Supply us with Topasses or other men as We require, if the French are Cutting us out troubles, they say the Dutch are as Busy with them, & have begun their Insolent Cruizing on their Coast; therefore they desire We will use our Utmost Authority with Capt. Prince that he touches at Eddowa if he is to be filled up by them, that by his protection they may be Enabled in spight of the Dutch Sloop to Ship off our Hoñble Master's Pepper. MONDAY[1] 26TH.

The Chief & Factors of Anjengo being so very pressing that a speedy Dispatch be given their Packet, We Agreed to send it forthwith to Onore & wrote a Letter to the Chief & Factors there to forward it Express, & as We have by the Stanhope sent up the necessary advices to Bombay, We Judge it improper to detain the Boat for any Letters. DITTO DIE

This Evening by a Munchua with 200 Bales Chunam, & one Teak Tree We receiv'd a Letter from our Callicut Linguist of the 27th. Pepper continues at 24½ & Price of Coins are as follows. WEDNESDAY 28TH.

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| Dollars ... | 9 : 8 |
| Rupees ... | 4 : 7 |
| Venetians | 17 : 12 |
| Gold Rupees | 53 : 8 |
| Icaree Pagodas | 15 : 7 |

This Noon We receiv'd a Letter from our Callicut Linguist of the 28th. Informing us that in the Morning the Tony sent with our Letter to the Commodore & Council of Cochin return'd; The Muckways say they deliver'd the Letter the 23d. Inst. Upon which a Council was called immediately, & another the 25th. then the Bales of Cloth were Order'd on Board the Munchua they had Detain'd & Order'd to proceed on their Voyage, but 'though the Muckways desired an Answer to our Letter, the Commodore refused giving any & sent them away. FRIDAY 30TH.

Yesterday Imported Ship Deane Capt. William West from Bengall. JANUARY MONDAY 2D.

Boyanore's people coming here according to his promise to Settle the Accounts We have Agreed with them that the Ballance is Seventy seven thousand Eight hundred Eighty two Four Vis, which is Seven hundred Ten & an half Fanams more than We had Charg'd him for which Arises in an Omission in Three hundred thirty five Fanams & an half deliver'd in Cash for his Service to the Prince, & in Three hundred Seventy five Fanams for Charges on Pepper brought over Land which he now agrees to pay, They assure us that Boyanore will very speedily pay us the whole Amount, but they refused giving us any receipt, therefore We wrote Boyanore advising him the Sum due to the Hoñble Company desiring he will make payment thereof forthwith, & send us the Guns & Stores belonging to the William Gally as also the remainder of the Pepper he formerly detain'd belonging to the Chief, at their departure they demanded our allowing the Amount of what was promis'd by M. Braddyll &ca. but as that was Conditionally on the turning out the French We told them when they Comply'd therewith, We wo'd not faile them on our part. DITTO DIE.

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DITTO DIE. Receiv'd a Letter from our Callicut Linguist of the 1st. Instant by a Munchua with 200 Bales Chunam & 1 Teak Tree, Dollars are fallen much & Rupees scarce, that he believes 'tis not possible to Exchange to the Amount of a Chest of the former at the rate of 9½ Fanams the Dollar & 4½ the Rupee but for new Fanams Suamy Putturah will give at said price allowing as usual 2 ℔ Cent Vattau.

DITTO DIE. This Evening sailed the Deane Frigat for Bussorah.

TUESDAY 3D. This Morning We receiv'd a Letter from the Dutch Chief & Council of Cannanore of the 13th, Inst. N.S. Translate of which from the Portugueze with our answer are as follows.

TO THE HONBLE ROBERT ADAMS SUPREAM GOVERNR.
FOR THE ILLUSTRIOUS ENGLISH COMPANY, AND
THE GENTLEMEN OF COUNCIL AT TELLICHERRY.

MOST NOBLE SRS. AND MUCH ESTEEM'D FRIENDS.

Our Sloop Cornelia Yesterday in the Evening Anchored to the No. ward of Durmapatam Island near Grove Rock, from whence Three Sailors & one Soldier run away with the Sd. Sloop's Boat, thereby Breaking their Oaths, & Violating their Obligation, & as We are Suspicious they are at your place ashore or on Board your Ships, We desire in the Name of our Superiours that you will please to return the Traytors or at least the Boat in the manner she was in, We recomend you to the Divine Protection & wish you Health, being,

MOST NOBLE SIRS,
Your most humble Servts. & Friends

SUBRANDAS VYLSMA.
JACOB MOOKELAR.
JACOB VER STAPPEN.
JACOB VAN VEERT.

CANNANORE.
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TO THE WORSPLL. SUBRANDAS VYLSMA CHIEF FOR
AFFAIRS OF THE NOBLE COMPA. OF HOLLAND
&C. COUNCIL AT CANNANORE.

WORSPLL. SIR & SIRS ESTEEM'D FRIENDS

We were this Morning favour'd with yours of the 13th. Inst. N.S. & are Concern'd for the Loss of the Boat & Men belonging to your Sloop Cornelia, We assure you they are not, nor have they been here, or on Board the Ships that Sailed last night, nor have We any notice where they are if We knew, wo'd readily advise you, being very desirous to Convince you of our Sincere Inclinations, how truly We are,

WORSPLL. SIR & SIRS,
Your most humble Servants & Friends

ROBERT ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

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AT A CONSULTATION DITTO DIE.

*Present*

THE Rt. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

We have been for many days past using our utmost Endeavours to comply with the Orders of the Honble Presidt. & Council of Bombay in providing the Quantity of Pepper required for the dispatch of the Devonshire, & although the New Pepper is but just coming in, the price even by Pedlars is kept up at 16¾ Venetians ℔ Candy & sho'd We aim at Contracting with the severall Inferiour Merchants about us 'twill be Impossible after once agreeing with them to make any Abatement in the price; One Chatoo Chitte a person of the greatest Credit, & most to be depended on hereabouts being now with us; The Question is askt what he will have for a Quantity to be deliver'd in without faile by the end of this month, he demands 17 Venetians, & will take Dollars at no more than 10¾ Fans. because their Value to our knowledge is extream low at Mangalore & but 9½ at Callicut, after many Arguments with him, he gives this as his finall answer that he will deliver us 500 Candys Pepper by the end of the Month at 16¾ Venetians ℔ Candy & take Dollars at 10¾ Fanams, & notwithstanding all We co'd say he remains steady in the above; The Chief therefore asks our opinion in this matter, & as the Devonshire will be shortly here & to Gain her passage she must go away at the beginning of next month, besides the Improbability of procuring the Pepper at easier Rates of any one else, as well as that We cannot depend on the other Merchants We do after Seriously Weighing this matter RESOLVE to Contract with said Chatoo Chitte on the above Terms, & accordingly he does in the presence of us all faithfully promise to perform the same but with this assurance that if We buy of any others We will not give so much as We do to him, for sho'd We he Declares he shall be a Considerable Sufferer

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

MONDAY 9TH. Yesterday receiv'd a Letter from our Callicut Linguist of the 6th. Inst. by a Munchua with 200 Bales Chunam & 200 Bamboos, the price of Coins continue at 9½ Fanams & Rupees at 4½ but no Quantity can be Exchang'd; few Rupees being in the Country, Monsr. Tremisot the French Chief of Mihie Arrived Callicut the 4th. & is taking Charge of the Factory, Monsr. Mollandin the former Chief designing for Pondicherry; The Dutch Sloops that have been for some time past Cruizing off Penaney are at the request of the Samorine, withdrawn they & a Dutch ship are gone to Quilone, but on what Account is not known A small Munchua with our Pass & Colours as We observ'd in our Diary of the 20th. Decr. being Detain'd by the Dutch at Cochin, the Linguist, since the Boat's coming in has taken a relation from the Christian soldiers & others on Board, which is in Substance as follows. "That on the 16th. Decr. as they were proceeding on their Voyage to the no. ward from Quiletchee off a place called Naraca two Leagues on this side Cochin, a Dutch Sloop fired a Gun to call their Boat to, they went near her & were askt by an Officer then on Board a French Munchua which they had detain'd who they belonged to, upon being Inform'd that they belong'd to the English & Bound to Tellicherry, producing also their Pass, the Officer told them, they must go with him to Cochin; on their Arrival there they

the Two Christian soldiers, the Moors & Muckways were all put in separate Confinements & strictly Examin'd if the Munchua & Goods really belong'd to Robert Adams Esq$^{r}$. & 'though every one Agreed in this particular yet they were not satisfied, but Opened some of the Bales of Cloth & finding notes therein with the names of s$^{d}$. Robert Adams Esq$^{r}$. & Stephen Law, & our Letter Arriving about the same time, they determin'd in Council to release the Munchua when the Goods were Embarkt the Commodore asked if there was every thing & if they wanted any provision, upon the Muckways telling him all was Right & no provision wanted, he order'd them away on the 22$^{d}$. December without answering the Letter We sent them.

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MONDAY 9TH.

AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*

THE R$^{T}$. WORSP$^{LL}$. ROBERT ADAMS ESQ$^{R}$. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
W$^{M}$. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & Approved our Consultation of the 23$^{d}$. Ultimo.

The Paymaster's Account for the month of December being deliver'd in & the Chief's Account of the Treasure they were both Examin'd & Passed, & the Amount of the former was Directed to be paid off; Copy of the Latter & Extract of the former are Enter'd hereafter.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROB$^{T}$. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
W$^{M}$. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

## Cash.

Dr

| 1726 | | | |
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| December 1st. | To Ballance last Month ... ... ... | 5245 — | 01 |

## Per contra.

Cr.

| 1726 | | | | |
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| December 1st. | By Garrison Stores Vizt. | | | |
| | 32 Spades Mallabar @ 8½. | 272 — — | | |
| | 43 Pickaxes or Hoos 4. 8 | 177 6 — | | |
| | Iron Country...8. 50 pull. | 94 6 — | | |
| | | | 543 12 | — |
| | By Sole Leather from Mangalore in Octr. | | | |
| | 3 Corge @ 7½ pags. ... ... ... | | 131 — | 4 |
| | By 10 peices Cartridge Cloth to the Gunner ... ... ... ... | | 35 — | — |
| | By 10 Maunds Country Powder ... ... | | 300 — | — |
| | By Ballance ... ... ... ... | | 4235 — | 1 |
| | | | 5245 — | 01 |

## Foreign Silver.

Dr.

| 1726 | | Dollars. | Fans. | Vis. |
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| December 1st. | To Ballance of last Month ... ... | 45733 | 36 | — |

## Per contra.

Cr.

| 1726 | | Dollars. | Fans. | Vis. |
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| December 1st. | By Robert Adams paid his Account & Interest to the Amount of ... ... | 17257 | 10 | 4 |
| | By Callicut Factory to defray Charges there ... ... ... ... ... | 973 | 36 | — |
| | By Rupees for one Chest Exchang'd ... | 3894 | — | — |
| | By Stephen Law Paymaster this month ... | 1947 | — | — |
| | By Ballance ... ... ... ... | 21661 | 61 | 12 |
| | | 45733 | 36 | — |

## Rupees.

Dr.

| 1726 | | Rupees. | Qr. | Raes. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| December 1st. | To Balance last month ... ... ... | 1473 | 3 | 17 |
| | To Foreign Silver for one Chest Exchang'd Wt. 3894 Dollars at 10½ Fans. is 40887 at 5 to the Rupee is ... ... ... | 8177 | 1 | 60 |
| | | 9651 | — | 77 |

## Per Contra.

Cr.

| 1726 | | Rupees. | Qr. | Raes. |
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| December 1st. | By Horses & Furniture for Two Sadles & Bridles 26 Pagodas at 313 ℔ 100 Pagodas is ... ... ... ... ... | 81 | 1 | 52 |
| December 31st. | By Garrison Charges, Muster Rolls paid. | 2658 | — | 80 |
| | By Ballance ... ... ... ... | 6911 | 2 | 45 |
| | | 9651 | — | 77 |

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December 31. 1726.

Errors Excepted.
℔ Robert Adams.

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ABSTRACT OF THE GENERALL PAYMASTER HIS ACCOUNT OF DISBURSEMENTS FOR DECEMBER 1726.

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| Charges of the Garrison ... ... ... ... ... | 14589 | — | 15 |
| Fortification & House Repairs ... ... ... ... | 1208 | — | 10 |
| Wars & Tumults ... ... ... ... ... ... | 9807 | — | 05 |
| Board Wages ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1500 | — | — |
| Hospitall Charges ... ... ... ... ... ... | 672 | — | — |
| Charges on Merchandize ... ... ... ... ... | 141 | — | 12 |
| Servants Wages ... ... ... ... ... ... | 958 | — | — |
| Account Presents ... ... ... ... ... ... | 470 | — | — |
| Stable Charges ... ... ... . ... ... | 177 | — | 4 |
| Petty Charges ... ... ... ... ... ... | 596 | — | 15 |
| Tellicherry ffan[s]. ... | 30121 | — | 13 |

MONDAY 9TH. Received a Letter from the Chief & Factors at Onore under the 3[d]. Instant acknowledging the receipt of ours of the 26[th]. Ult[o]. which came to hand the 1[st]. in the Evening with the Anjengo Packet for Bombay which they forwarded ℔ Boat Express the 2[d]. They Inform us about the beginning of last Month, part of the Sou Rajah's Army Consisting of Twenty five thousand Horse under the Command of Badjee Row Enter'd the Sundah Rajah's Country, & took possession of his Capitol City Sundah, which they Plunder'd, & afterwards laid it in Ashes, & continue plundering & laying Waste his Country, on the Enemy's approaching Sundah, the Rajah & his Family left that City with 200 Horse & 400 Foot & made their Escape to Merjee in the Carnatick Rajah's Country where he still remains, but has made Peace with the Enemy, upon his agreeing to pay 125000 Pagodas, 57000 of which he has already paid, & 'tis believ'd the Enemy will not leave Sundah 'till he pays the rest; They also Inform us that part of the aforesaid Army have Enter'd the Carnatick Rajah's Country, & Demand 30 Lack of Pagodas; Serang Pattan Rajah Join'd by Chittrall Drooke Burma Tyer Cawn, and Sedojee with another Powerfull Army are likewise coming upon him with Vast Demands which has put all his Country inland into great Confusion; all the Inhabitants at Bednure, and Billgee (except the Fighting Men) are fled with what they co'd carry away, & they are apprehensive, if the troubles are not soon over they shall not be able to buy any Pepper this Year.

DITTO DIE. Answer'd our Callicut Linguist's Letter receiv'd the 8[th]. Instant directing him to send us constantly the price of Coins & Pepper, & to let us know whatever he hears of the Dutch proceedings to the S[o]. ward, & of the French Chiefs at Callicutt.

SATURDAY 14TH. Receiv'd a Letter from our Callicut Linguist of the 13[th]. by a Munchua with 200 Bales Chunam, & 1 Teak Tree; Dollars at 9½ & Rupees at 4½ at this Rate in about 15 days he Judges a Chest may be Exchang'd, if We are Inclined to this, he desires We will send him the Dollars, but if it sho'd happen that he cannot get the whole Exchang'd in Rupees, to let him know if I caree Pagodas will do at 15½ Fanams each.

DITTO DIE This Evening Imported the Sarum Cap[t]. Robert Mylne John Irwin Supracargo from Malacca.

MONDAY 16TH. Imported Ship Margaret Cap[t]. Charles Grey Tho[s]. Hill Supracargo from Bengall.

DITTO DIE. Answer'd our Callicut Linguist's Letter of the 13[th]. directing him to send up Chunam, Timber, & Mats, & as it will require 15 days to Exchange Dollars We Chuse to send none, since We shall be in Immediate want of them here to procure Pepper.

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Imported Ship James Charles Bissell Cap$^{t}$. Josiah Holmes & Richard Waring Supracargos from Madrass. TUESDAY 17TH.

Receiv'd a Letter from our Callicut Linguist of the 18$^{th}$. by Two Munchuas with 370 Bales Chunam, & 300 Bamboes, he is Inform'd that the Dutch have certainly taken an English Munchua belonging to Anjengo & Carry'd her to Cochin, notwithstanding She had an European on board, & English Colours 'though no Pass. Tannore Factory is ready to fall & without some Repairs it cannot stand the Rains out, he desires We will give orders concerning it. FRYDAY 20TH.

Yesterday in the Evening Imported the Gloster Brigantine William Shotbolt Cap$^{t}$. & Supracargo from Bengall. MONDAY 23RD.

At two this afternoon Arrived Ship Devonshire Captain Lawrence Prince from Bombay. DITTO DIE.

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AT A CONSULTATION DITTO DIE.

*Present*

THE R. WORSP$^{LL}$. ROBERT ADAMS ESQ$^{R}$. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
W$^{M}$. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & Approved our last Consultation

Ship Devonshire being Arrived & the Season Advancing very fast, We are to consider on the most proper means for complying with the Orders of the Honourable President & Council of Bombay formerly given & now in their Letter ℔ s$^{d}$. Ship of the 13$^{th}$. Ins$^{t}$. again recommended for the Lading on Board her by the 31$^{st}$. One thousand Candys of Pepper, & on failure thereof to dispatch her with all speed to Anjengo, after Loading all we have in warehouse, we did in our Consultation of the 3$^{d}$. Contract for 500 Candys which together with the 235 in Warehouse makes up 735 and Deficient of the Quantity required 265 Candys, which now We are to procure, after making some Enquiry on this matter, We can have no certain assurance that so much is to be got in by the Limited time, but as We have now supply of Venetians which are in Esteem We do AGREE to use our Utmost Endeavours to Engage the Merch$^{ts}$. about us if possible to bring us the Quantity wanted, & to Ship off with what haste We can all that We have in Warehouse, before that is done We shall be better able to Judge if it will be in our power to give the Ship her full Loading here or be obliged to send her to Anjengo; & as We are Directed to forward the Letter receiv'd this day to Anjengo Express, We AGREE to write them to have their Pepper in a Readyness to be Laden on the Devonshire if it sho'd so happen that We cannot send her away full from hence.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROB$^{T}$. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
W$_{M}$. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

Yesterday in the afternoon ℔ Devonshire We receiv'd a Letter from the Hoñble President & Councill of Bombay of the 13$^{th}$. Instant acknowledging their having our severall Letters of the 31$^{st}$. October, 25$^{th}$. November, two of the 7$^{th}$. Decemher, & another of the 9$^{th}$. ℔ Stanhope with the severall Papers enclosed, to which they will, after making the necessary observations, gives us their Sentiments; They take notice the French have finished their differences with Boyanore, & aim at being Entire Masters of that Country's Trade, & how they have Treated us in fireing on our people, & Settling within Gun Shot of Moylan, which obliged our taking footing on Putinha TUESDAY 24TH.

& Ponella to Stave off a War, but the Prince & Nombiers are kept in our Interest at a large Expence; These things give them a very Unpleasing prospect after such a prodigious Expence in Building Forts, making War, & other heavy disbursements, & indeed the Hoñble Company will be Contented at no other Rate than the reducing the Expences as before Mr. Adams Commenc'd Chief, for otherwise the Trade will not Support it & they require a punctual Complyance, least We Incur the penalty mention'd in the 27th. Paragraph of the Honourable Company's Letter, but as they know not how We have adjusted with the French, nor to what an end our differences with them may come, as the least Evil therefore if it be necessary they allow us to give Curringhoda a Present to Engage him in our Interest, & pursue all the prudent means We can to obtain an Amicable Correspondence with the French giving them no Interruption at Mihie, & they hope they will give us no Disturbance on this Side the River since by the Paragraph of the Hoñble Company's Letter, the French Company have sent strict orders to their Settlements in India to live in Amity & preserve a Friendly Correspondence with the English which We are Enjoin'd to Cultivate; They Direct us to Send by this Ship a full Account to the Hoñble Court of Directors of all the French proceedings from the Date of our last Advices, & a price Currant of Goods & the Currant Rate of Gold & Silver Coins &ca. The former Orders to prevent the Dutch getting possession of Codala Hill to our prejudice, they do again recommend, & permit us to hoist our Colours at Agarr, or Such place, as with the Consent of our Prince may effectually stop all Encroachments on that side. Enclosed came Copys of Paragraphs 46 & 81 of the Company's Letter ℔ Stanhope, in the first of which We observe their Sentiments of the vast Debts Contracted at Tellicherry & Callicutt without leave had from Bombay & if the same is not recoverable, 'tis expected Mr. Adams makes good the Amount. What We urge why Mr. Adams ought not to Refund the Amount of an Officer's Dyet is not satisfactory & they do Insist the whole be Repaid, since it ought to be Included in the Liberall Allowance, Granted; The Orders for Five Tons of Cardamoms if they are perfectly good, are to be regarded, & to be Laden on the Devonshire, & Five Tons more must be got ready for the Stanhope, reckoning Four Candys to the Ton which will make in all Forty Candys & as there's no hopes of disposing of those We have by us they direct us to send them up by the first good Conveyance in order for their being disposed of as well as possible. By the Devonshire We are required to send 1000 Candys of Pepper, but if We are not able to Ship so much by the 31st. Instant they direct us to dispatch her to Anjengo after Loading all We have in Warehouse. They have sent us what Stores they can spare as ℔ Invoice which Includes the Gunpowder & Arms taken out of the Stanhope, & the following Treasure Consisting of Six thousand Sixty two Venetians & Gubbers; & Forty eight thousand Fifths of Rupees, amounting in all to Thirty three thousand forty six Rupees Thirty seven Raes which must be Deducted from the Eighty thousand Rupees We are permitted to draw for. The Hoñble Company have been pleas'd to recommend to them the laying of a Duty on all Pepper purchased by Private Traders from the Pepper Countrys on the Coast of India, therefore 'tis directed that Three Rupees on a Candy of Five hundred & Sixty pound be Collected on whatever is bought or Contracted for at any of the places under us, or any other Settlement We can get knowledge of, giving the purchasers a Certificate of their paying the Same to produce at any other Settlement it Shall be Carry'd to for Sale for Excusing the Collecting thereof there; Their Marine being in want of six Poon Topmasts of 42 foot Long, & 12 Inches Diameter & also Two of 40 foot Long & 17 Inches Diameter, they bid us send 'em up by the first Conveyance that offers; The Paquet for Anjengo they order us to forward Express.

TUESDAY 24TH. Having advice that Suamy Putturah has at Callicut upwards of One hundred Candys of Pepper, & as that Quantity will greatly Facilitate our dispatch of the Devonshire, We wrote a Letter to our Callicutt Linguist, Directing him with all Speed to perswade Suamy to lend us so much which We will repay him in specie before the End of February to Effect this We recommended all possible Diligence & dispatch, with all to try the price of Cardamoms the best Sort & what Coins will be most Acceptable, the Chief wrote also to Suamy Putturah concerning the same.

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This Evening Imported the Boone ffrigat Cap$^{t}$. John Standard William Wake Supracargo from China. TUESDAY 24TH.

Imported Ship Harrison Cap$^{t}$. Thomas Purnell, from Bengall, Consigned to M$^{r}$. Williamson at Bussorah. DITTO DIE.

The Hoñble President & Council of Bombay having Empower'd our receiving out of the China Ship to the Amount of Forty seven thousand Rupees, We did this morning make a request to M$^{r}$. William Wake Supracargo of Ship Boone for that sum withall signifying to him the Liberty We have to give him a Bill on them for the same, but he has in his answer Declared that the Ship's Stock is entirely Invested in Goods, so that he cannot Comply therewith. Copy of our Letter with his answer are as follows. WEDNESDAY 25TH.

To M$^{R}$. WILLIAM WAKE SUPRACARGO
OF SHIP BOONE.

S$^{R}$.

The Hoñble President & Council of Bombay have been pleas'd to permit our receiving of you to the amount of Eighty thousand Rupees & to give you a Bill on them for the same, this was Signify'd to us in their Letter under the 18$^{th}$. November 1726, since in another Letter under the 13$^{th}$ Instant, they write to that purport, but have sent us to the amount of Thirty three thousand Rupees, We desire therefore to know if you can Supply us with the remainder or any part, which We will give a Bill on the s$^{d}$. Hoñble President & Council of Bombay for.

We are,
S$^{R}$.
You humble Servants
ROBERT ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

TELLICHERRY.
JANUARY 25TH. 1726/7.

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To ROBERT ADAMS ESQ$^{R}$. CHIEF
OF TELLICHERRY &C$^{A}$. FACTORS,

SIRS,

I acknowledge to have receiv'd a Demand by order of the Hoñble William Phipps Esq$^{r}$. for Forty seven thousand Rupees on Account of my Freighters, but having Invested all their Stock in Goods, Incapacitates my Complying therewith.

TELLICHERRY.
25TH. JANUARY 1726/7.

W. WAKE.

One Ally Mamy formerly a very good Merchant in Boyanore's Country & at present in good Repute here, offers to bring us in without faile, by the last of this Month One hundred .Candys of Pepper at the same price We give to others, & as our wants are great for Pepper We Agreed to give him Five hundred Venetians, & Two thousand Rupees to Enable him to bring it in with all Speed.

Receiv'd a Letter from our Callicut Linguist of the 23$^{d}$. by Two Munchuas with 370 Bales Chunam. WEDNESDAY 25TH.

Sailed the Gloster Brigantine for Cannanore. THURSDAY 26TH.

Sailed Ships James & Harrison for Bussorah. FRYDAY 27TH.

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AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*

THE Rt. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW
WILLIAM FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

SATURDAY 28TH.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

Our Linguist from Callicut in a Letter receiv'd this morning Informs us that Suamy Putturah has One hundred & Fifty Candys of Pepper lying ready to Embark whenever We will he is willing to Accept the Proposition, We made him of paying the same in Specie by the End of February & as this Quantity will greatly Contribute to the Speedy Dispatch of the Devonshire now here, as well as be a means to keep the Market low, while the people see our wants are Supply'd; We do therefore AGREE to Accept of said Pepper, notwithstanding the Difference that will arise to our Honble Masters prejudice, through the Charges of bringing it up, & the advanced Customs of Callicut which will amount as We Judge to about Two Rupees Three fifths ℔ Candy 'though as by this means the price here will be moderated & the Ship Depart in Season We Judge this proceeding the most Eligible. The Muster of Cardamoms from Callicut being Examind & the price Calculated We find they will by no means do, being extravagantly dear, & bad so that We shall procure 'em here.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

DITTO. DIE. Sailed the Sarum for Surat & Boone ffrigat for Bombay, by the latter We wrote the Honble President & Council in answer to their Letter ℔ Devonshire Giving the Needfull Advices.

MONDAY 30TH. Sailed Ship Margaret for Mocho & Juddah.

DITTO DIE. This Morning We receiv'd a Letter by a Tony Express from our Callicut Linguist of the 28th. Inst. advising us that Suamy Putturah has no more than One hundred Candys of Pepper ready at Callicutt, he expected One hundred more from Penaney & the Boats were really coming out of the River but were obliged to retire on the approach of a Dutch Sloop near the Barr, He offer'd said Pepper if We will send Vessells for it; Tannore Banksall which is made up with Stones & joins to the ffactory is ready to fall, & 'tis thought without Repairs, cannot Stand the Rains, the Expence of repairing will amount to about 1000 Callicut Fanams he waits our Orders about it.

DITTO DIE. Answer'd our Callicut Linguist's Letter Directing him to Send away with all Speed the 100 Candys of Pepper, Suamy Putturah has at Callicut, & to take no more of him, this being Sufficient to Supply our wants, As to Tannore Factory let it remain as it is, without putting the Honble Company to any Expence since there has not been lately any use for it, nor is there any prospect, that it will hereafter become so, & We do Agree to write the Honble President & Council of Bombay for their Orders concerning it.

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At a Consultation — Ditto Die.

*Present*

The R^t. Worsp^ll. Robert Adams Esq^r. Chief.
John Johnson. Stephen Law.
W^m. ffforbes. Hugh Howard.

The Muster of Cardamoms being laid before us, and found to be the best procurable in the Country & preferable to those last Year, The Merchant is desired to tell us his last price which is Eighty Venetians ℔ Candy, & though many Arguments were used with him, he will not take under, We do therefore Agree to buy of him all he has, to the amount of Forty Candys if he can supply us with that Quantity, or for all he can give us, & as 'tis Customary to appoint one of our people to go to Herrenhole, a place in the King of Cotatas Country to see them Weigh'd since We cannot prevaile on him to bring them here; We do therefore Agree to appoint one of the Warehousekeeper's Assistants who has Judgement in these Goods, & always employ'd on these occasions to go & Weigh them, taking the Muster with him for his Guidance and We also Agreed with Chatoo Chitty for Two hundred Candys Pepper at 17 Venetians ℔ Candy, not being able to get it in by the Limited time of any other Merchant.

*Adjourn'd.*

Rob^t. Adams.
John Johnson.
Stephen Law.
W^m. ffforbes.
Hugh Howard.

This Evening Imported the William Gally from Malacca Francis Dabbadie Cap^t. & Supracargo with a small Brigantine belonging to him. — February Wednesday 1.

Receiv'd a Letter from our Callicut Linguist by a Munchua with advices of his having sent 100 Candy of Pepper by the Barge & Munchua agreeable to our request to Suamy Putturah for that Quantity which We have promis'd to repay him in specie. — Thursday 2d.

Cap^t. Prince wrote us a Letter Signifying he cannot take in the 1000 Candys Pepper which is as follows. — Fryday 3d.

To Robert Adams Esq^r. Chief
&c^a. Factors at Tellicherry.

Gentlemen,

I would gladly Comply with your desire in taking in 1000 Candys of Pepper & 20 Candys Cardamoms, but 'though all possible Care has been taken in the Stowing of the Ship I find We cannot take in any more than the Nine hundred one & a Quarter Candys of Pepper, & Twenty Candys of Cardamoms which you have sent off. I am

Gentlemen,
Your humble Servant

Law^r. Prince.

Tellicherry.
February 3^d. 1726/7.

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DITTO DIE. Ship Devonshire having her full Loading to the utmost She can take in of 901¼ Candys Pepper & 20 Candys Cardamoms amounting to Tellicherry Fanams 356516 : 9 We dispatcht her this Evening for Great Brittain; Enclosing the Invoice & Bill of Lading in our Paquet to the Hoñble Court of Directors, with all Papers required to be sent, & our Diary to this day.

SATURDAY 4TH. This day noon Imported the John Grab William Johnson Master from Bombay, by whom receiv'd a Letter from the Hoñble President & Council there Dated the 21st. January, Directing us to forward an accompanying Packet to Anjengo, which We did forthwith; & as they Judge the Dutch Insults may Impede the getting Pepper for the Stanhope, they direct us to provide all We can for her, therefore We did in our Letter to Anjengo, desire they will Inform us directly of the Quantity of Pepper they are sure to have in readyness, that We may accordingly Regulate our purchase here.

DITTO DIE. This Evening Sailed the William Galley Francis Dabadie & a small Brigantine Bound to Suratt.

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AT A CONSULTATION

WEDNESDAY 8TH.

*Present*

THE Rt. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

The Paymaster's Account for the Month of January being deliver'd in & the Chief's Account of the Treasure they were both Examin'd and Passed, & the Amount of the former was Directed to be paid off. Extract of the former & Copy of the latter are Enter'd hereafter.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

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ABSTRACT OF THE PAYMASTER'S ACCOUNT OF DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE MONTH JANUARY 1726/7.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Garrison Charges ... ... ... ... ... | 14529 | 3 |
| Fortification & House Repairs ... ... ... | 5496 | 4 |
| Wars & Tumults ... ... ... ... ... | 6661 | 6 |
| Board Wages ... ... ... ... ... | 1500 | — |
| Hospitall Charges ... ... .. ... ... | 631 | — |
| Charges on Merchandize ... ... ... ... | 224 | 2 |
| Servants Wages ... ... ... . ... | 958 | — |
| Account Presents ... ... ... ... ... | 156 | 8 |
| Stable Charges ... ... ... ... ... | 179 | — |
| Petty Charges ... ... ... ... ... | 591 | 13 |
| Tellicherry fans. ... | 30927 | 4 |

## Cash.

| | | | Dr. Fanams. | vis |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| January 1st. | To Ballance ... ... ... ... ... | | 4235 | 1 |

## Foreign Silver.

| | | | Dr. Dollars. | fans. | vis. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1726/7 January 1st. | To Ballance ... ... ... ... ... | | 21661 | 61 | 12 |

## Chequins.

| | | | Dr. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1726/7 January 23d. | To Acco[t]. Curr[t]. Bombay 6 Bags (q[t].) Gubbers and Venetians by the Devonshire 6062 viz. 471 Gubbers. 5591 Venetians. | | |
| | 6062 less W[t]. 3202·04 Nett 6029 : 6 : 12 ... | | 6029 : 6 | 12 |

## Per Contra.

| | | | Cr. Fanams | vis. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| [January.] 2d. | By Boyanore of Burgorah on making up his Acco[ts]. find the difference of what deliver'd him to be ... ... ... ... ... | | 335 | 8 |
| 7 | By Garrison Stores for a large Copper Kettle to Putinha to Boye Rice W[t]. 30 lb. cost at Goa 45 X[s]. is ... ... ... ... | | 112 | 8 |
| | By D°. 10 Maunds Country Powder ... | | 300 | 00 |
| | By D°. for 10 p[s]. Saile (Cl...) for Cartridges at 3½ ... ... ... ... ... | | 35 | 00 |
| 31. | By Ballance ... ... ... ... ... | | 3452 | 01 |
| | | | 4235 | 01 |

## Per Contra.

| | | | Cr. Dollars. | fans. | vis. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [January.] 3d. | By Chatoo Chittim on Contract 500 Pepper at 16¾ Chequins & Dollars 10¾ ... ... | Ca. | 3894 | — | — |
| 12. | By D°. on Account the above Contract ... | | 3894 | 00 | 00 |
| 26. | By D°. on D°. Account ... ... ... | | 8376 | 00 | 00 |
| 30. | By Scimaim of Cotata on Contract of 20 Candys Cardamoms @ 80 Chequins ... ... | | 1947 | 36 | 00 |
| 31. | By Stephen Law Paymaster ... ... ... | | 600 | 00 | 00 |
| | By Ballance ... ... ... ... ... | | 2950 | 25 | 12 |
| | | | 21661 | 61 | 12 |

## Per Contra.

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| 1726/7 January 26. | By Chatoo Chitty on Contract 200 C[a]. Pepper at 17 Chequins 2 Bags @ 20¼ ... ... | | 2010 | 00 | 00 |
| 30. | By Scimaim on the foregoing Contract at 20¼. | | 497 | 04 | 00 |
| 31. | By Ballance ... ... ... ... ... | | 3522 | 02 | 12 |
| | | | 6029 | 06 | 12 |

RUPEES.

Dr.

| 1726/7 | | Rupees. | q. | Ra( ). |
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| JANUARY 1. | To Ballance ... ... ... ... ... | 6911 | 2 | 45 |
| | To Account Currt. Bombay for 1 Chest ℔ Devonshire qt. fifths of Rupees 48000 @ 5 to the Rupee is ... ... ... ... | 9600 | 00 | 00 |
| 23. | To Accot. Currt. Bombay for Two Bills Vizt. | | | |
| 28. | 1 payable to the Honble William Phipps Esqr. &ca. | | | |
| | Freighters of Ship Boone 5433: 3 .69 ... | | | |
| | 1 Do. To Mr. William Wake 9692. 3 :30 ... | | | |
| | | 15125 | 3 | 99 |
| | | 31637 | 2 | 44 |

PER CONTRA.

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| 1726/7 | | Rupees. | q. | Ræs. |
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| JANUARY 13. | By Hospitall Stores for Physick from Goa Vizt. | | | |
| | 4 Ounces Quintilio ... lb. | xs 20 | — | — |
| | 4 Hippo quiquano ... lb | 48 | — | — |
| | 10 Manna ... ... lb. | 65 | — | — |
| | 6 Abutra ... ... | 6 | — | — |
| | 6 Cupping Glasses ... lb oz. | 1 | 4 | — |
| | 6. 9 Venice Treacle ... lb. | 214 | — | — |
| | 4. Turpentine ... ... lb. | 30 | — | — |
| | 6. Crabs Eyes ... ... | 24 | — | — |
| | Pots, Bags, Chests &ca.... | 5 | 3 | 30 |
| | | 207 | 1 | 00 |
| | By Garrison Stores from Goa 20 Ream Cartridge Paper 160 Xeraphins ... | 80 | 00 | 00 |
| | By Stationary Ware Do. 6 Ream Venice Paper @ 5 Rup. ... ... ... ... | 30 | 00 | 00 |
| | By Stephen Law Paymaster ... ... | 3816 | 00 | 80 |
| 31. | By Ballance ... ... ... ... | 27504 | 00 | 64 |
| | | 31637 | 2 | 44 |

TELLICHERRY.
JANUARY 31st. 1726/7

ERRORS EXCEPTED
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ROBERT ADAMS.

— *FEBRUARY 1726–27* —

This Evening Imported Ship Nassau Thomas Fern Capt. Messrs. William Mitchell & Thos. Harnett Supracargos from Bengall. THURSDAY 9TH.

Received a Letter from our Callicut Linguist of the 7th. Inst. by a Munchua with 170 Bales Chunam ; Pepper continues at 23⅓ to 24 Ibrahims ℔ Candy, he advises us that the Samorines Customaster has paid him 5000 Fanams, & 'though he is continually dunning, he cannot possibly get more at present, nor does he belive he shall be able to get more than 25000 Fanams this Season Account our Hoñble Masters Debt ; A French Country Ship is Arrived at Callicut Bound to Suratt & has brought some Treasure for Mihie. DITTO DIE.

Receiv'd this Morning a Letter from the Chief & Factors at Anjengo Dated the 31st. Ultimo, which is as follows. FRYDAY 10TH.

TO THE WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS.

WORSPLL. SIR & SIRS

We receiv'd yours of the 23d. Inst. & are very sorry to find you will not be able to accomplish the Devonshires Loading, because the Hoñble President and Council depend upon this Factory for the full Loading of the Stanhope for Europe, sho'd any Pepper come in after the departure of the Devonshire, you will We doubt not Load it on Board the Stanhope.

The difficultys We have to Contend with, are a scanty Crop of Pepper, Wars & Tumults in the Country, & these likely to Encrease every day, from these Disadvantages you will easily Form a Judgement of the precarious State of Trade here, & will be Excited to Exert Your utmost endeavours for the Interest of our Hoñble Employers. We are,

WORSPLL. SIR & SIRS,
Your very Affectionate Friends
ALEXR. ORME.
CHAS. WHITEHILL.

ANJENGO.
JANUARY 31ST. 1726/7.

This Morning the Chief was Visited by the Comander of the French Europe Ship, the Major of Mihie, & other Officers, as also Monsr. Martin who is going to Suratt, & pleas'd with their Entertainment, they were Induced to stay all night expressing abundance of Satisfaction, & desire of Cultivating a good Correspondence with us which occasion'd an Expence of Powder in Severall Salutes. MONDAY 13TH.

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TUESDAY 14TH. AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*

THE RT. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

The Peace which the French lately made with Boyanore, giving them a prospect of Quietness on that side, & Curringhoda taking that occasion of putting them in mind to regain his Country We have taken from him, which they have often promis'd to do, We found it absolutely necessary to Fortifie Putinha hill & Tinamalla, to prevent their taking any advantages from their Scituation to Annoy us, which has had the desired Effect in breaking the Measures they were about to take, but on our side We have been under a Necessity of Supporting an extraordinary Expence of Nayrs Wages & Buildings & as We co'd not know from this what methods the Country wo'd take, We have for better Security kept a sufficient number of Men for the Defence of sd. places, but as they are now in a tolerable Condition, & Fortified, so as that a less number will do; We do therefore AGREE to make that as well as all the other Branches of our Expences as little as possible, & the Paymaster's Accot. for January lying before us We Examin'd every Article distinctly & RESOLVED the following Calculate shall be observ'd as soon as 'twill admit, & that Copy thereof be sent to Bombay, & if any Abatements can yet be made, We shall still reduce to as little as We can, having always a regard to the Security of the Settlement, & as the Prince must be Consulted concerning some Nairs of his to be taken from Moohara & for the easier Garrisoning Tirimalla We AGREE to send for him.

*Adjournd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

A Calculate of Tellicherry Expences as we hope to reduce it to for the future on finishing the Buildings which will be in a month or two & no occasion of Disturbance happens in the Country Vizt.

GARRISON CHARGES VIZT.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2 | Officers at 228. 8 each is ... ... | | | | 457 | — | — |
| 2 | Ensigns at 170 Do. ... ... | | | | 340 | — | — |
| 11 | Serjeants at 88 Do. ... ... | | | | 968 | — | — |
| 2 | Clerks at 66 Do. ... ... | | | | 132 | — | — |
| 10 | Corporals at 66 Do. ... ... | | | | 660 | — | — |
| 10 | Rounders at 55 Do. ... ... | | | | 550 | — | — |
| 6 | Drummers 1.35. 3.30. 1.25. 1.22 ... | | | | 172 | — | — |
| 30 | Europeans at 44 each ... ... | | | | 1320 | — | — |
| 20 | Mustees Vizt. | | | | | | |
| | 2 at 39 each ... | 78 | — | — | | | |
| | 17 at 33 ... ... | 561 | — | — | | | |
| | 1 Boy at 10 ... | 10 | — | — | | | |
| — | | | | | 649 | — | — |
| 20 | | | | | | | |
| 200 | Topasses Vizt. | | | | | | |
| | 2 at 28 each ... | 56 | — | — | | | |
| | 1 at 27. 8 ... ... | 27 | 8 | — | | | |
| | 5 at 26. 4 ... ... | 131 | 4 | — | | | |
| | 24 at 26 ... ... | 624 | — | — | | | |
| | 168 at 22 ... ... | 3696 | — | — | | | |
| — | | | | | | | |
| 200 | | | | | 4534 | 12 | — |
| — | | | | | | | |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 293. | Pentioner's 5 the Widows of Soldiers killed in the War. | | | | 50 — — | | |
| | | | | | | 9832 | 12 — |
| | The above Men are on Duty as follows. | | | | | | |
| | 63 at Tellicherry & to Relieve them the same number is. | 126 | — | — | | | |
| | 44 at Moylan D°. ... | 88 | — | — | | | |
| | 25 at Putinha D°. ... | 50 | — | — | | | |
| | Sick Generally ... | 20 | — | — | | | |
| | Servants &c[a]. Viz. | | | | | | |
| | 5 for the Officers | | | | | | |
| | 2 Clerks | | | | | | |
| | 2 Invalids ... ... | 9 | — | — | | | |
| | | 293 | — | — | | | |
| 44. | Gunners Crew Amounting to ... ... | | | | 1528 8 — | | |
| | The above Includes 2 Invalids & 1 Servant the remainder are Employd in Tellicherry Moylan, Putinha, Tinamalla, Moohara & Codolee ... ... ... | | | | | | |
| 337. | Fort Tellicherry Sundry Expences Viz[t]. | | | | | | |
| | The Gunners Dyet... | 87 | 8 | — | | | |
| | Oyle Brooms & Pots. | 40 | — | — | | | |
| | 4 Carpenters ... | 160 | — | — | | | |
| | 1 Pentioner whose Husband was blown up in the W[m]. Gally | 10 | — | — | | | |
| | Sweeping the Fort ... | 16 | — | — | | | |
| | Candles for the Guard & Officers ... ... | 80 | — | — | | | |
| | Oyle & Cloth to clean Arms ... ... | 15 | — | — | | | |
| | Storekeepers. | | | | | | |
| | 1 at ... ... | 100 | — | — | | | |
| | 1 Scabbard Maker ... | 30 | — | — | | | |
| | 2 Polishers or Cleaners of Arms ... | 52 | — | — | | | |
| | 4 Men D°. ... | 88 | — | — | | | |
| | | | | | 270 — — | | |
| | Smiths Viz. | | | | | | |
| | 1 European Smith ... | 120 | — | — | | | |
| | 1 Armourer ... | 100 | — | — | | | |
| | 2 Christian Smiths... | 52 | — | — | | | |
| | | | | | 272 — — | 950 | 8 — |
| | 4 | | | | | | |
| | Charcoal for Tellicherry Fort Esteemd | 80 | — | — | ... | 80 | — — |
| | Fort Moylan Viz. | | | | | | |
| | Sweeping the Fort ... | 12 | — | — | | | |
| | Candles ... ... | 40 | — | — | | | |
| | Oyle ... ... | 8 | — | — | | | |
| | | | | | 60 — — | | |
| | | | | | | 60 | — — |
| | Fort Codolee Viz. | | | | | | |
| | 40 Nayrs at 7½ Fanams each ... | 300 | — | — | | | |
| | 16 Moors to Watch the River Mouth. | 204 | — | — | | | |
| | Oyle to Burn ... | 4 | — | — | | | |
| | | | | | 508 — — | | |

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| Fort Moohara Viz. | | | | | | | |
| Nayrs of Narrang port are to be Garrisond in this place to be paid by him out of the Monthly Allow$^{a}$. ... | 500 | — | — | | | | |
| Oyle ... ... | 4 | — | — | | | | |
| A Boy to carry the Gunners Victuals... | 6 | — | — | | | | |
| | | | | 510 | — | — | |
| Fort Putinha Viz. | | | | | | | |
| 13 Carwar Sepoys ... | 230 | — | — | | | | |
| 20 Nayrs & Tivees ... | 200 | — | — | | | | |
| Oyle ... ... | 4 | — | — | | | | |
| Provision for Soldiers Computed at ... ... | 100 | — | — | | | | |
| | | | | 534 | — | — | |
| Fort Tirimalla at ... ... | | | | 500 | — | — | |
| | | | | | | 2192 | — — |
| Board Wages according to the Stated Allowance ... ... | | | | ... | | 1500 | — — |
| Hospitall Charges Esteem'd ... | | | | ... | | 650 | — — |
| Charges on Merchandize Viz. | | | | | | | |
| 2 Servants in the Warehouse ... | | | | 75 | — | — | |
| 2 Pondarees D$^{o}$. ... ... ... | | | | 20 | — | — | |
| Oyle ... ... ... ... | | | | 2 | — | — | |
| | | | | | | 97 | — — |
| Servants Wages Settled ... ... | | | | ... | | 958 | — — |
| Stable Charges Computed ... ... | | | | ... | | 170 | — — |
| Petty Charges Esteemd at ... | | | | ... | | 600 | — — |
| | | | | Tellicherry fan$^{a}$. | | 18478 | 12 — |

N.B.

Account Presents is not allowed for, nor other Incident Charges such as Boats Pattamars &c$^{a}$.

TELLICHERRY. FFEBRUARY 14 1726/7.

ERRORS EXCEPTED
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ROBERT ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
W$^{M}$. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

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TUESDAY 14$^{TH}$. This Evening Sailed the Nassau & John Grab for Suratt by the former We wrote the Hoñble President & Councill of Bombay & sent Copy of our last under the 28$^{th}$. Ult$^{o}$. & of what We wrote the Hoñble Company ℔ Devonshire of the 3$^{d}$. Ins$^{t}$. Invoice & Bill of Lading of said Ship, Calculate of our Expences, Copy of Cap$^{t}$. Prince his Letter that he could not take in more Pepper, & his List of Private Trade ; our Account Currant with Bombay to the last of January 1726/7 & List of Six Soldiers sent up.

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SATURDAY 18TH.

AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*

THE RT. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

This Morning a Minister from the King of Puniture of Distinction, came to the Fort with the sd. King's Secretary & Signified to us that as We had often wrote him to appoint people to Settle the payment of the Honble Company's Mony they are Empower'd now by the King to Inform us that there has been among themselves a long Debate at times, how the said Mony sho'd be made good, & do now promise in the King's Behalf that in the Month of August ensuing they will get all they possibly can together, & bring it to us in Company of the King & then a Limited time will be fixt on for making good the rest, We asked if they knew the amount of the Debt, & immediately Directed the Olas to be brought before them, of which they took Copys, & did acknowledge before us that the Sums mention'd therein were lawfully due, & were actually Borrowed to Defend his Country against the Dutch & King of Cochin in the Late Samorine's Wars; The Minister by name Ana Pataree, and the Secretary Tullancherri Ittiacha Menoque assured us of payment, but desired a Rebate in Interest We told them to bring the Mony promis'd, & then We would consider further on that matter, upon which the Question was put whether to Accept of the time above Specify'd or immediately endeavour to Arrest the King, & In order to Settle our Opinions, We askt Suamy Putturah, whom We esteem in our Interest, & came with them, whether 'tis best to acquiesce with the proposition, or no, & upon his Declaring it was best to do so, since he sincerely believes him to be of just Principles & will really do to the utmost of his power towards payment; The Chief Declaring his Sentiments agreeable thereto, & did every one else, We AGREED to wait 'till August & if he sho'd not then Comply, We will apply an Arrest, unless a better Expedient can be found out, & the Chief is to write him to the above purport urging him all he can to Comply sooner; as We shall do to the Honble President & Council of Bombay by first occasion for their Orders.

Chatoo Chitty the Pepper Merchant being here, & as We are in want of 400 Candys Pepper for the Stanhope, having as much Mony by us as will procure it, The Question is put at what Rate he will furnish us with that Quantity, upon which We had many Debates & in fine We found it Impracticable to get it under 17 Venetians, the Candy, to take Rupees at 5¼ Venetians 20¼ Gubbers 20. & Dollars at 11 Fanams each; upon enquiry We find small Quantitys are procurable a little under the above Rate, but as the merchts. are not to be Depended on, & fearing least they should faile us in payment, & thereby bring on New Debts, We therefore Unanimously Concurred in the above Contract with Chattoo Chitty:

*Adjournd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

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By the King of Puniture's Minister & Secretary, the Chief receiv'd an Ola from him Importing the necessitys he has been in for some time past for mony, the Dutch Wars greatly Impoverish'd his Country, as well as obliged him to Contract many Debts, some of which he has been paying off, & now he desires his Minister &ca may

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persuse the obligation given by his Predecessor, with whom We may discourse & Settle on means for promoting the payment & thereby get rid of that heavy Burthen, which indeed he will heartily set about, what is discoursed with them he desires to be Inform'd of, & hopes the antient Friendship as was kept with his Predecessor, will be Continued to him.

MONDAY 20TH. Yesterday Imported the Bombay Gally & Victoria Grab from Bombay by the latter We receiv'd a Letter from the Hoñble President & Councill of the 1st. Inst. with an Invoice of Treasure Amounting to Sixteen thousand Rupees, a Box of Medicines Valued at Thirty Rupees, & a parcell of Stationary Ware at Twenty eight Rupees, sd. Vessels they direct us to dispatch for Anjengo forthwith In Order for the Protecting our Trade about Eddova, they are to call on us in their Return, & to bring as much Pepper as they have room for, which We are required to Lade with all Expedition. Receiv'd likewise a Letter from the Chief & Factors of Anjengo of the 13th. in answer to ours of the 31st. Ultimo; They Inform us the Death of the King of Peritall has given great obstruction in the bringing of Pepper, by the Impossibility of getting Cooleys, which they endeavour'd to Remedy, by sending them from Anjengo, but as the Small Pox is in the Country they could not be prevailed on to go; They have in Warehouse 650 Candys of Pepper & have Contracted for upwards of 400 more which they are promis'd to have in ten days, they are apprehensive of fresh troubles in the Northern parts of the Country, as there has been this month in the Southern which will farther obstruct their affairs, therefore they desire We will Lade what Pepper We can on the Stanhope, that our Hoñble Masters may not run any risque of being disappointed. By the Gally & Grab that Sailed in the Evening, We answer'd Anjengo Letter, & assured them of our taking the necessary care that no disappointment sho'd happen in the Stanhope's Lading, doubting not, but with the 650 Candys they have ready, She will have a full Cargo.

DITTO DIE. Answer'd the King of Puniture's Ola, that the Hoñble Compa. lent him so large a Sum to defend his Country, which ought to Incline him to think of payment, & not break his promise so often given in this matter; His Ministers and Secretary have persused the Olas for the Debt, & they have Engaged in August next to bring him & all the Mony they can possibly get, hither, which We have Agreed to & intend to give advice to Bombay thereof, so We hope he will be punctual in Complying at the time Limited, desiring with all that he will Accept of this Moderate way & give us no occasion to have other recourse.

TUESDAY 21ST. One of the Samorine's Ministers being here We thought it a proper opportunity to write concerning the Honble. Company's Debt, which the Chief did as follows. "That as the Samorine wo'd not send his people to Tellicherry to Settle the Accounts, "the Chief was come to a Resolution of going to Calicut in March, & desires to meet "him there, having severall matters to Treat of, but if that cannot be, then to appoint "his proper Ministers to be there; The person appointed as Receiver of the Customs "has given but a trifling Sum this year & cannot do otherwise while he continues "sendg. mony to the King by his order this is not to be allowed of, & if he perseveres, "other Methods must be taken, which 'tis hoped the Samorine will give no occasion for "(. .") The Chief likewise wrote another Ola to one of the Municipall Ministers of the Samorine, desiring him to give his Assistance that the King may be at Callicutt in March to talk on Various Business as well as to Settle the Accounts, depending between him & the Hoñble Company & as the King of Puniture seem'd willing to pay his Debt, the Chief desired said Minister to Contribute his Endeavours in Effecting the same.

DITTO. DIE. This Morning Imported Ship Prince George Capt. Alexander Dalgleish, him & Mr. Robert Trankland Supracargos from Bengall.

FRIDAY 24TH. Imported Ship Sarum Capt. George Newton from Bengall.

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To Capt. George Newton
Comr. of Ship Sarum,

Sir,

The Honble Presidt. & Council of Bombay have been pleas'd to Direct us to Lade Fifty three Bales of Cardamoms Weight 13¼ Candys & 6 Poon Topmasts on any of the Honble Company's Ships or Vessels Bound up, We therefore desire you to take in sd. things & carry them to Bombay on account of the Said Honble Company. We are,

Sir,
Your humble Servants,

Robert Adams.
John Johnson.
Stephen Law.
Wm. ffforbes.
Hugh Howard.

Tellicherry.
ffebruary 24th. 1726/7.

Yesterday We wrote a Letter to Capt. George Newton to take in the 13¼ Candys Cardamoms lying by of last Years purchase & 6 Poon Topmasts required to be sent up, To which he gave an answer, that he would carry the Cardamoms, but co'd not the Masts, for his Guns would thereby become Pester'd his Letter is as follows. Saturday 25th.

To the Worspll. Robert Adams Esqr.
&cA. Gentlemen,

Sirs,

You write me you have Orders from Bombay to Load 53 Bales Cardamoms, & 6 Poon Topmasts on any of the Honble Company's Ships or Vessels Bound up thither & desire I will take 'em in; I sho'd be very unworthy their Service sho'd I refuse it since I am Dead Freighted from Bengall; I desire you will order the abovesaid Cardamoms to be sent on Board as soon as possible; but for the Masts I desire to be excused, for I cannot well receive them on Board, without pestering my Guns, & that I think may be of greater prejudice to the Company than leaving 'em, since I know there are Two of their own Vessells to the So.ward which in all likelihood touch in here on their Return.

I am
Sirs
Your most humble Servant
G. Newton.

Tellicherry.
ffebruary 25th. 1726/7.

Sailed the Prince George for Juddah. Ditto Die.

Imported Ship Charles from Bengall Capt. James Hurdis Messs. John Stephenson, & Jonathan Windar Supracargos. Ditto Die.

Imported Ship Severn Capt. Thomas Chichester from Bengall Robert Orme Supracargo. Ditto Die.

Arrived Ship Shawallum Capt. John Kellsall from Bengall. Ditto Die.

Imported the Prince Briggantine Capt. Thos. Garland from Persia. Monday, 27th.

This Evening Sailed the Sarum for Bombay, the Severn & Shawallum for Surat, & the Charles for Persia; by the former wrote the Honble President & Councill of Bombay, enclosing Copy of our last of the 14th. Inst. Copy of our Letter to Capt. Newton with his answer Invoice & Bill of Lading of 13¼ Candys Cardamoms sent on Ditto Die.

the Ship, & advised of our having 400 Candys of Pepper ready to Lade on the Stanhope 200 We would procure for the return of the Vessells from Anjengo & desired a supply to carry on our Charges; Callicut Factory & Tannore being much Decay'd We desired Orders whether to repair them or no; We also gave notice of the methods the King of Puniture will take for paying his Debt & that the Chief wo'd go speedily to Callicutt to Settle the Samorine's Accounts, Boyanore has also been press'd to pay off his Debt

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WEDNESDAY 1ST. AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*

THE RT. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

On the 6th. December We agreed to take possession of an Hill called Tirimalla that lyes a little more than Gun shot off Moylan, In order to prevant Curringhoda's Settling thereon & as our so doing has had a very good Effect in actually Breaking the Measures of said Curringhoda & his Adherents, by keeping them in Peace contrary to their Inclinations, The Chief Summons this Meeting to consider on the Steps to be taken in future in order to abate if possible the Expences of our Honble Masters, The Prince being here the proposition is made to him to withdraw his Men from our Fort of Moohora, which he readily Agrees to, but at the same time desires to know if We are determin'd to keep our footing on the aforesaid Tirimalla, & We Debating on this matter, think it very proper to hold that place, as the only means to bring Curringhoda into our interest, for as he finds We are too well Secured for him to hurt us, he is now Consulting on means to Gain our Friendship but sho'd We vacate Tirimalla his hopes will Revive, as he will Judge that place very Convenient for him to carry on his longing Inclination of giving us trouble, We do therefore Unanimously AGREE to propose to the Prince that he maintains that place for us, & the Question being put if he will Accept thereof, he assures us he will if We will allow him 375 Fans. ℔ Mensem & as his Men are taken from Moohara & the Expence of that Fort reduced thereby, We AGREE to pay him that Sum monthly, & We to be at no more Expence, except for the necessary Cooly Work in fortifying the place so as to render it secure; & the Prince does propose, that if We will Build him a Palace on sd. Hill, he will take the whole Expence of the place upon himself, to which We AGREE to give him no positive reply, but to write the Honble Presidt. & Council of Bombay & to wait a little to see what Steps Curringhoda takes.

The Honble President & Council of Bombay in their Letter to us of the 1st. February by the Victoria & Bombay Gally requiring us to send up by them as much Pepper as they can take in, and having wherewith by us to procure 200 Candys, We do AGREE to buy of Chatoo Chitty that Quantity at 17 Venetians ℔ Candy since it is not to be had at an Easier Rate.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

DITTO DIE The Chief, having lately wrote Boyanore pressing him to send his Ministers with mony to pay off his Debt to the Honourable Company, he replys in answer that as yet he has Deferr'd sends. his people, because he had got no sum of mony ready, but he is using all the means in his power, & will speedily pay off part of his Debt.

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This Evening Sailed the Prince Brigantine for Anjengo. DITTO DIE.

Our Linguist of Callicut being sent for up to Settle his Accounts & if possible to reduce the Charges of that Factory, We have taken the same into Consideration, & upon examining every Article of Expence We find it cannot be reduced to less than about 500 Fanams ℔ Mensem. THURSDAY 2D.

Receiv'd a Letter from the Chief & Factors at Anjengo under the 22d. ult°. with a Packet for Bombay which they desire may be forwarded by the first opportunity, & Inform us they have in Warehouse 850 Candys of Pepper, & have Contracted for 300 more, that the Kings of Chenganat & Peritall have joyn'd Vanjemutta & are resolved to Crush the King of Travancore, so that the whole Country is involved in War. SATURDAY 4TH.

Wrote a Letter to the Honble President & Council of Bombay, Enclosing Copy of our last under the 27th. Ultimo with a Packet from the Chief & Factors at Anjengo, Informing them We are advised from thence, they have in Warehouse Eight hundred & Fifty Candys Pepper, & Contracted for Three hundred more, that We Sho'd have Two hundred Candys ready for the Vessells when they return'd from Anjengo, by whom sho'd advise the needfull. Answerd the Anjengo Letter of the 22d. ffebruary, acknowledging the receipt of it, & inform'd We wo'd forward their Paquet for Bombay this Evening by a Ketch Bound thither, that We wo'd Load 400 Candys Pepper on Board the Stanhope, & dispatch her to them to fill up. DITTO DIE.

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AT A CONSULTATION MONDAY 6TH.

*Present*

THE RT. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

The Generall Paymaster his Account of Disbursements for the Month of February, being deliver'd in, & the Chief's Account of Treasure, they were both Examin'd & Passed, & the Amount of the former was Directed to be paid off. Abstract of the former, & Copy of the latter are Enter'd hereafter.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

ABSTRACT OF THE GENERALL PAYMASTER HIS ACCOUNT OF DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 1726/7.

| | Fanams. | Vis. |
|---|---|---|
| Garrison Charges ... ... ... ... ... ... | 14359 | 07 |
| Fortification & House Repairs ... ... ... ... | 4393 | 11 |
| Wars & Tumults ... ... ... ... ... ... | 3854 | 06 |
| Board Wages ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1500 | 00 |
| Hospitall Charges ... ... ... ... ... ... | 634 | 08 |
| Charges on Merchandize ... ... ... ... ... | 231 | 09 |
| Servants Wages ... ... ... ... ... ... | 958 | 00 |
| Account Presents ... ... ... ... ... ... | 249 | 00 |
| Stable Charges ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 164 | 04 |
| Petty Charges ... ... ... ... ... ... | 664 | 07 |
| Tellicherry fans. ... | 27009 | 04 |

## Cash.

| | | | Dr. Fanams. | vis. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1726/7 | | | | |
| February 1st. | To Ballance ... ... ... ... ... | | 3452 | 01 |
| | To Rupees for 9600 in fifths brought to this Account ... ... ... ... ... | | 48000 | 00 |
| | | | 51452 | 01 |

| | | | | Cr. | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1726/7 | | | | | |
| February 3d. | By Acco$^{t}$. Curr$^{t}$. Bombay, on the Devonshire's Inv$^{o}$. Pepper & Cardamoms ... ... | | | 4972 | 15 |
| | By Chatoo Chittim Ballance his Account 700 Candys Pepper .. ... .. ... | | | 872 | 10 |
| | By Scimaim of Cotata D$^{o}$. on 20 C$^{a}$. Cardamoms ... ... ... ... ... | | | 504 | 04 |
| | By Garrison Stores Viz$^{t}$. | | | | |
| | 2 Palmes ... ... ... | 2 | 00 | — | |
| | 3 Time Glasses 2 hours each | 12 | 00 | — | |
| | 1 Globe Lamp ... ... | 25 | 00 | — | |
| | 100 Saile Needles ... ... | 24 | 00 | — | |
| | | | | 63 | 00 |
| 28 | By Ballance ... ... ... | | | 45939 | 04 |
| | | | Fanams ... | 51452 | 01 |

## Chequins.

| | | | Dr. | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1726/7 | | | | | |
| February 1st. | To Ballance ... ... ... ... | | 3522 | 2 | 12 |
| 19. | To Account Curr$^{t}$. Bombay ℔ the Victoria Grab 3 Bags containing 2934 W$^{t}$. ... | | 2918 | 00 | 00 |
| | | | 6440 | 2 | 12 |

| | | | | Cr. | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1726/7 | | | | | | |
| February 1st. | By Chatoo Chitty on Contract of Pepper @ 20¼ ... ... ... ... ... | | | 1004 | 6 | 12 |
| 18. | By D$^{o}$. on Contract of 400 Candys Pepper vis. | | | | | |
| | 471 | 0 | 00 | Gubbers at 20 fanams each | | |
| | 2046 | 5 | 00 | Venetians 20¼ each | | |
| 28. | By Ballance ... ... ... ... | | | 2517 | 5 | 00 |
| | | | | 2918 | 0 | 00 |
| | | | | 6440 | 2 | 12 |

## Foreign silver.

| | | | Dr. | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1726/7 | | | | | |
| February 1st. | To Ballance ... ... ... .. | | 2950 | 25 | 12 |

| | | | Cr. | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1726/7 | | | | | |
| February 18. | By Chatoo Chitty on Contract 400 Candys pepper at 17 Chequins at 11 fanams ℔ Dollar ... ... ... | | 2950 | 25 | 12 |

| Rupees. | | Dr. Rupees. | qr. | Raes. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1726/7 | | | | |
| February 1st. | To Ballance last Month ... ... ... | 27504 | 0 | 64 |
| 19. | To Account Currant Bombay ℔ the Victoria Grab 3 Bags containing Rupees ... ... ... ... | 4630 | 3 | 00 |
| | | 32134 | 3 | 64 |

| Per contra. | | Cr. | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1726/7 | | | | |
| February 1st. | By Cash transfer'd to this Account ... | 9600 | 0 | 00 |
| | By Chatoo Chitty on Contract of Pepper at 5¼ ... ... ... ... ... | 10000 | 0 | 00 |
| | By Stephen Law Paymr. to the Garrison. | 2623 | 3 | 20 |
| 28. | By Do. paid Mangalore Labourers 163 12. 10. @ 3½ each is ... ... | 573 | 1 | 04 |
| 28. | By Do. for Months Charges ... ... | 2333 | 0 | 00 |
| | By Ballance ... ... ... ... | 7004 | 3 | 40 |
| | | 32134 | 3 | 64 |

Tellicherry. February 28th. 1726/7.

Errors Excepted
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Robert Adams.

—— *MARCH 1726-27* ——

MONDAY 6TH. Imported Ship Arcott Capt. John Hunter from Bombay.

SATURDAY 11TH. This Evening Sailed the Arcott for Madrass.

MONDAY 13. Imported Ship Stanhope Capt. Wentworth George Pitt from Bombay & brought us three Letters, two from the Honourable President & Council under the 17th. & 23d. ffebruary, & one from the Chief & Factors of Onore of the 8th. Inst. with a Calculate of the Ship's Tonnage; By the Bombay Packet came Two Invoices, one of Treasure amounting to 16000 Rupees, & one of Soldiers Apparell amounting to

| Rups. | qr. | Rs. | | Rups. | qr. | Rs. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 690. | 1. | 50. | Broad Cloth | 154. | 1. | 90. |

and Stationary Ware amounting to

| Rupees | qr. | Rs. |
|---|---|---|
| 30. | 0. | 53. |

The Honble Presid(t...) & Council Direct us to Load 5 Tons Cardamoms which they formerly order'd to be procured, & dispatch her directly to Anjengo, unless the Chief & Factors there sho'd give us reason to apprehend they cannot have Pepper enough ready, in such Case We must Lade that Deficiency, We are to advise the needful to the Honble Company, & Enclose Invoice & Bill of Lading of what We Ship off. The Soldiers Coats are sent us instead of Coarse Cloth which is not come out this Year, & to be deliver'd out at Eight Rupees one with another. As to the French, by our Letter of the 28th. January, they find they are trifling as usual, We are required to keep a fair Outside with them, & hold what We have got from Curringhoda, & since there's but little prospect of the French being in a Condition to assist him, 'tis hoped he will Confirm to us the agreement made with his Uncle & turn off the French from this side the River, the better to effect which We are allowed to give a Present, so that Peace may be Establish'd, & Pepper got at a Certain moderate Annual Charge; As to the Officers Dyet they have given us their Orders before about it which We must Comply with; They observe that We did not receive the Duty for [the] Pepper Shipt on the Boone which is a Breach of Orders, & what too often We have given reason to Complain of; on the return of the Cruizers from Anjengo they expect from us a good Quantity of Pepper. The Chief & Factors of Onore advise us of having Laden on the Stanhope 200 Candys of Pepper, amounting to 104000 Pounds Avoirdupoize at 520 Pound ℔ Candy which is incerted in the Calculate, the same Method We are to take for what We Lade & forward it to Anjengo for their Guidance.

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DITTO DIE AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*

THE Rr. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

[Read & approved] our last Consultation.

[Ship Stanehope] arriving this Evening. The Chief Summons this Meeting to consider on the Contents of the Letter from the Honble President & Councill of Bombay receḋ by said Ship, in which they direct us (as may be seen more at large therein) not to Load any Pepper on Board her, unless the Chief & Factors of Anjengo should apprehend they cannot get the Quantity required for her, upon observing the Calculate sent us from Bombay We find She wants 963⅕ Candys of Pepper to Compleat her Tonnage & as by the advices of the 22d. ffebruary from Anjengo they assure us of having 850 in Warehouse, & 300 more Contracted for, which will be more than sufficient We do therefore AGREE to dispatch the ship forthwith to Anjengo, after the Treasure Cloth & Stationary Ware is on Store, & Reserve the 600 Candys

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Pepper We have procured for the return of the Gally & Grab, & Cap$^{t}$. Pitt was thereupon Inform'd We had no Orders to Load any Pepper on Board his Ship.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROB$^{T}$. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
W$^{M}$. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

[This morning Cap$^{t}$. Pitt delivered in the following protest with a letter from his officers which are as follows.] TUESDAY 14TH.

TO THE WORSP$^{LL}$. ROBERT ADAMS ESQ$^{R}$.
CHIEF &C$^{A}$. FACTORS.

SIRS

Being dispatcht Bombay the 21$^{st}$. February with Twenty seven Tons (Cowries), & about Six Tons of Peice Goods, and Carmania Wool which was all the Goods in Warehouse there, with an Order to the Chief &c$^{a}$. Factors at Onore to Load on Board what Pepper there which accordingly I receiv'd, & was not sufficient to Shift the Ship, amounting but just to Two hundred Candys, thence was by them order'd to come to this place, & take in what Pepper & Cardamoms you sho'd put on Board, & follow your orders for my further proceeding, accordingly Arrived here yesterday the 13$^{th}$. & was very much Surprized, when told by your self &c$^{a}$. Factors, that there was positive Orders from Bombay not to Load any Pepper on Board, but must proceed to Anjengo & take in my Cargo there for Europe, which Pepper is so light that 'tis Impossible for a Ship to go to Sea, without a much larger Quantity of Ballast & Kintlage Goods than I have being dispatcht without our proportion, according to Charterparty, which I believe the first Instance of any Ship, & no place but this to get any which must take up some time, & the Season far advanc'd & Southerly Winds Set in, that in all likelyhood it may be Eight or Ten days before I reach Anjengo, so that sho'd the Monsoon Set in early, as 'tis to be feared, it will Endanger the Ship & Cargo, or oblige us to put to Sea, & leave the Companys Effects behind, which you are Sensible must be a very great Loss, which obliges me in Behalf of the Honble Company, Owners of the Stanhope, Ship's Company & Self to Protest & do hereby Protest against you Robert Adams Esq$^{r}$. Chief &c$^{a}$. Factors for all damages, & Losses that they, or any of them may Sustain by not Loading any Pepper on Board having upwards of Four hundred Candys in the Warehouse part of which would entirely Shift the Ship, & put her into such a Condition, that should She be Retarded at Anjengo any time by the Surf; you being very Sensible how difficult it is at this time of the Year to send off Goods there, She may be capable to put to Sea; I hope You'l take all these things into your Consideration, & see the advantage or Disadvantage that may accrue to the Company & Owners.

I am
GENTLEMEN,
Your most humble Servant
WENT GEO. PITT.

TELLICHERRY,
MARCH THE 14TH. 1727.

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TO CAP$^{T}$. WENT. GEO. PITT
COM$^{R}$. OF SHIP STANHOPE.

S$^{R}$.

I just now receiv'd yours, wherein you mention that We are to have no Pepper or other Goods here; This is to advise & desire you'l send off Thirty or Forty Tons of Ballast, or other Goods, that may Shift the Ship & make her Capable of going to

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Sea; She being so very tender that She will not carry Sail; I have called the officers & have their Opinions as well as my own; as you will find by our Signing this.

We are,
SIR,
Your most humble Servants

LEOND. KILHAM.
JNO. CULPECK.
GABL. REDWOOD.
JNO. JENEINGS.
RICHD. BEATON.
THOS. HARRISON.
JOHN PACKENHAM.

SHIP STANHOPE.
MARCH 13TH. 1726/7.

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TUESDAY 14TH.

AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*

THE RT. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

Upon Weighing the Orders from the Honble President & Council of Bombay relating to the Ship Stanhope, We found it proper yesterday Evening to resolve on dispatching her away to Anjengo, since by advices from thence they will have more than Sufficient for the Loading of that Ship, & on our acquainting Capt. Pitt therewith, he has this morning deliver'd us in a Protest; Setting forth the ill Condition of his Ship, the small Quantity of Kintlage on Board, & how Unsafe She will be, should the Weather Set in, as may, with reason be apprehended, & therefore if We do not Lade something even to Shift the Ship, We are answerable for what Damages may arise thereby, We therefore Considering thereof, & observing the Officers Letter to the Comander (Copy of which precedes this Consultation) came to a Resolution to Load One hundred & Fifty Candys of Pepper, which will (as the Capt. Informs us) Shift the Ship, & put her in a Condition for the Sea, since by our doing this, We can apprehend no ill Consequences to the Honble Company, but be a Security to the Ship, as well as an effectual prevention, sho'd it so happen that the Pepper Contracted for at Anjengo is not brought in, & indeed 'tis our Opinion the Grab & Gally will not be able to take in more than the Four hundred & Fifty Candys We shall have remaining in Warehouse, & 'tis equall if there be a Remains of Pepper at Anjengo.

*Adjournd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

DITTO DIE. This Morning We deliver'd out to Capt. Alexander Douglass a Peice of Broad Scarlet Cloth containing Eighteen Yards & an half at Six Rupees Ninety Raes ℔ Yard, amounts to One hundred & fifteen Rupees, Seventy two Raes, which he is to pay for in Two Months; on Examining the old Account of Soldiers Apparell We find the Stoppages will continue till the last of Aprill, after which We can begin to deliver out the Cloathing now come from Bombay, & on Surveying them, there's Four Coats very much Damaged & not wearable.

FRIDAY 17TH. Imported the Russell Gally Capt. Johns Byers from Bengall.

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This Evening Sailed Ship Stanhope with 150 Candys Pepper, for Anjengo, In order to fill up for Great Brittain, the amount of the Invoice being Fanams 52650. We wrote the Honble Court of Directors enclosing Copy of our last ℔ Devonshire under the 3d. Ultimo; Copy of Capt. Pitt his Protest to us, with his Officer's Letter to him; Invoice & Bill of Lading of the Stanhope, & advised our reasons for Shipping the Pepper, as also the necessary relating to the Outstanding Debts, & that We should do our utmost in retrenching the Expences of this Settlement; In order to which We had Lett out a great part of the Ground lying between our Forts, By the Stanhope We wrote the Chief & Factors of Anjengo, that We had Laden on Board 150 Cs. of Pepper, & sent them the Calculate of the Tonnage receiv'd from Onore, Inserting the Quantity Laden here. SATURDAY 18

Imported the Tellicherry Grab Henry Jordan Capt. him & Jeremiah Jones Supracargos from Gombroon. MONDAY 20TH.

Sailed the Russell Gally for Suratt. DITTO DIE.

Wrote a Letter to Capt. William Shotbolt Comander of the Gloster Brigantine, DITTO DIE. demanding his paying a Duty of 3 Rupees a Candy of 560 lb. for all the Pepper he had procured hereabouts agreeable to the Orders of the Honble President & Councill of Bombay, Copy of which is as follows.

To CAPT. WILLIAM SHOTBOLT
COMANDER OF THE GLOSTER BRIGANTINE.

SIR,

We are positively Directed by the Honble Presidt. & Council of Bombay, to demand of every one that purchases Pepper at any of the adjacent places hereabouts three Rupees on every Candy of 560 lb. so bought, & in Conformity thereto We require you will make good to us on Account the Honble Company, the full Sum due on the whole Quantity you have Laden on the Gloster Brigantine, & for which We will give you a Certificate, to prevent it's being demanded of you again at any other place you may carry it to; We expect your complyance herein, & are

SIR,
Your humble Servants
ROBERT ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

TELLICHERRY.
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This day Capt. Shotbolt deliver'd in his answer to what We wrote him yesterday which is as follows. TUESDAY 21ST.

TO THE WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

WORSPLL. SIR & SIRS,

I have receiv'd your Paper demanding three Rupees ℔ Candy for all Pepper that is purchas'd hereabouts, you last Year, gave me an order not to Trade in that Commodity, near any of the Company's Settlements, which I thought was still in force, & as you very well know I have bought none here, I can't see that you have any demand upon me. I am,

WORSPLL. SIR & SIRS,
Your most humble Servant
W. SHOTBOLT.

TELLICHERRY.
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DITTO DIE. Sailed the Gloster Brigantine for Bengall.

THURSDAY 23RD. Receiv'd an Ola from the Samorine, that as he is now Dedicated to some Religious Ceremonys he cannot possibly come to Callicutt, but when the Chief Arrives there, he will on the first notice, appoint people to Settle the Accounts, & as he has things of Importance to Communicate, which cannot be done by writing or Messengers, he desires the Chief on adjusting the Accounts, will repair, where he is to Treat on the necessary Affairs.

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DITTO DIE. AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*

THE RT. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

The Samorine, as may be observ'd by the Translate of his Ola, promises on the Chiefs Arrival at Callicut, to send on the first notice, people to Settle the Accounts depending between him & the Hoñble Company, since 'tis Impossible for him to be at Calicutt & as 'tis very proper, the same should be Regulated, being of a long Standing; We AGREE to Set out for Callicut on the 5th. of Aprill ensuing which will be just after the Mallabar Feast which Expires the 3d. Do. & according to this Tenour, We, shall write the Samorine as may be observ'd hereafter; but that no disappointment may happen We will write our Callicutt Linguist to press for the Ministers coming there to be ready to Enter on Business on our Arrival, & by a Boat Express to give us Notice of their actually being on the Spot, least if We go & they not there, our time may be spent to no purpose.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

DITTO DIE. Answer'd the Samorine's Ola, that We Considering the Feast of Booe was near, We have determin'd to leave this place the 5th. Aprill & as this is the Season for Shipping & Business requiring our being here, We desired he wo'd have his people ready at Callicutt the 4th. that We may proceed on the Accounts directly, & so render our stay short.

DITTO DIE. This afternoon about Two a Clock Imported the Bombay Gally and Victoria Grab from Anjengo, without bringing us any Letter from the Chief & Factors there, & as the Hoñble Presidt. & Councill of Bombay expect from us a large Quantity of Pepper, & pursuant to which We have provided & have now ready 450 Candys, We agreed to write the Coñanders of the Vessels, requiring them to take in the same & Eight Poon Topmastsas ℔ Copy of our Letter & their answer Enter'd hereafter.

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To Capts. Edward Coward & William Reeve Comanders of the Bombay Gally & Victoria Grab.

Sirs,

We are Directed by the Honble President & Council of Bombay to Load on board your Vessells all the Pepper We have ready on Account the Honble Company which Consists of Four hundred & Fifty Candy, therefore We desire, as the Season is advanc'd, that you will receive the same with all Expedition, that your Passage to Bombay may not be endanger'd & to morrow morning We shall begin to Lade.

We are
Sirs,
Your humble Servants

Robt. Adams.
John Johnson.
Stephen Law.
Wm. ffORBES.
Hugh Howard.

Tellicherry.
March the 24th. 1726/7.

P.S. We have lying by us Eight Poon Topmasts which We are Directed to send up to Bombay & desire you will receive the same on Board.

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To the Worspll. Robert Adams Esqr.
Chief &ca. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir & Sirs

We have receiv'd yours, requiring our taking on board Four hundred & Fifty Candys of Pepper, which We wo'd gladly Comply with, but the Bombay Gally had Three hundred Bags Laden at Anjengo & the Victoria Six hundred which has filled the Vessels, so that We believe the former cannot possibly take in more than Seventy Robbins or Eighty Bags, & the latter One hundred Bags or Eighty Robbins, that Quantity you may send off when you please, after which We shall be able to Judge if We can take in any more, As to the Masts We shall Deferr giving you an Answer 'till tomorrow, having wrote to our Officers concerning them. We are.

Sir & Sirs,
Your most humble Servants

Tellicherry.
March the 24th. 1727.

Edward Coward.
Wm. Reeve.

Receiv'd another Letter from Capts. Coward & Reeve which is as follows. Saturday 25th.

To the Worspll. Robert Adams Eeqr. &ca.

Sir & Sirs

Having taken the Opinion of both our Officers in relation to the Topmasts You have order'd us to take in for Bombay for the use of the Honble Company, cannot be done without rendering the Vessels Incapable of Defending themselves from an Enemy.

Your most Humble Servants.

Tellicherry.
March the 25th. 1727.

Edward Coward.
Wm. Reeve.

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MONDAY 27TH. Yesterday in the Evening Sailed the Bombay Gally & Victoria Grab with 40 Candys of Pepper, 20 on each, by whom We wrote the Hoñble President & Council of Bombay, enclosing Copy of our last, Invoice & Bill of Lading of Ship Stanhope, & of the above Vessels, Copy of Capt. Pitt's Protest for not Lading Pepper, & his Officer's Letter to him, also Copy of our Letter to the Comanders of the Vessels, with their answer, We also advised the Needfull relating to the Settlement, & Enclosed Copy of our Letter to Capt. Shotbolt with his answer, concerning the not paying the Duty of Pepper.

DITTO DIE. Baunibeltu Quiomo a Moor Merchant of this place, came to Inform us that one of our Onore Gallevats did on the 22d. Instant off Baccanore River Seize a Munchua ffreighted by him, and belonging to Pauly Canddi Cuttially a Merchant of Durmapatam & Carry'd her away, this News was brought by a man belonging to her, & saw the Action, upon which We wrote the Chief and Factors of Onore, desiring they would release the Munchua, but if through any mistrust they might have, they sho'd think proper to detain her, We desired that no Embezlement may be made in her Cargo, We likewise answere'd their Letter of the 8th. receiv'd by the Stanhope the 13th. Instant.

DITTO DIE. There being no probability of sending away all the Hoñble Company's Pepper this Season, & being Indebted to Suamy Putturah for 100 Candys Laden on the Devonshire[. to .] be return'd in Specie; We wrote our Callicutt Linguist to press Suamy to take it away forthwith, that no further Loss may arise in the Weight.

WEDNESDAY 29TH. Wrote the Chief & Factors of Onore, in relation to the Munchua they took, with Four Gallevats & Five Paddiars to the Southward of Baccanore, the men belonging to her, being now come, they affirm that after the fireing of three Guns they Lower'd the Saile, but notwithstanding that & their telling them they belong'd to this place, the Gallevats proceeded to Fire Great & small Guns, Boarded the Munchua & Wounded three men which they put ashore to the S°. ward of sd. Baccanore, this proceeding We fear may Inflame the Country & therefore desired they would forthwith deliver to the Bearer who is both Owner & Noquedah by name Payly Canddi Cutteally, the Muncha & all her Effects.

APRIL MONDAY 3D. Yesterday Anchor'd a Dutch Ship from Suratt called the Hoedekenskirk, & Saluted the Fort, the Comander, Surgeon & a Gentleman who had been Chief at Ahmadavad, came ashore to visit the Chief, & return'd this Evening greatly pleas'd with the Civilitys shewn them.

WEDNESDAY 5TH. Receiv'd Two Letters from our Callicut Linguist of the 31st. March & 3d. Instant, advising the Samorine's Ministers are come to meet us there to Settle the Accounts. Suamy Putturah is willing to have the 100 Candys Pepper We Borrowed of him; deliver'd, and Weighed at Callicut so that We may order it down as soon as We see Convenient.

DITTO DIE. Receiv'd an Ola from the Samorine that he had given directions to his Ministers to be ready to meet us at Callicut to adjust the Accounts, & desires when the same is Concluded that We will repair where he is to discourse on severall matters of Importance.

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AT A CONSULTATION DITTO DIE.

*Present*

THE R^T. WORSP^LL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQ^R. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
W^M. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & approved our last Consultation.

The Samorine's Ministers being in a readyness at Callicutt to adjust the Accounts We AGREE to Set out thither to morrow morning, & as the Season is far Advanc'd, & the Samorine a Considerable way inland, We believe it will be Difficult to make him a Visit at this time, however on our Arrival at Callicutt, We shall Agree on what We Judge most Conducive to our Hoñble Masters Interest, if We can undertake it so as not to Endanger our return before the Weather Sets in.

Suamy Putturah being willing to have the 100 Candys of Pepper owing him deliver'd at Callicutt & as the same will by Lying by, become more & more Deficient in Weight, & since there is no probability of our wanting it for our Hoñble Masters Service, We AGREE to Lade it on Board a Munchua forthwith which will likewise Serve to carry the Guard design'd down with us, & render the Charge easy. Examin'd & Passed the Chief's Account of Cash for March & the Paymaster's Account for said Month, Copy of the former, & abstract of the latter are Enter'd hereafter.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROB^T. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
W^M. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

## Cash. Dr.

| | | | Fanams. |
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| 1726/7 March 1st. | To Ballance last Month ... ... ... | | 45039 04 |

## Per Contra. Cr.

| | | | Fanams. |
|---|---|---|---|
| March 1st. | By Account Curr$^{t}$. Bombay for Invoice of Cardamoms by the Sarum ... ... | | 198 12 |
| 18 | By D$^{o}$. for Invoice of Pepper by the Stanhope ... ... ... ... ... | | 750 00 |
| 26 | By D$^{o}$. for Invoice of Pepper by the Victoria Grab & Bombay Gally ... ... ... | | 260 00 |
| 31 | By Ballance ... ... ... ... ... | | 43830 08 |
| | | | 45039 04 |

## Chequins. Dr.

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| 1726/7 March 1st. | To Ballance ... ... ... ... ... | 2918 0 00 | |

## Per Contra. Cr.

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| March 1st. | By Chatoo Chitty on Contract of Pepper at 17 Chequins at 20¼ ... ... | Ca 200. | 2918 0 00 |

## Ruppees. Dr.

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| 1726/7 March 1st. | To Balance ... ... ... ... ... | 7004 3 40 | |
| 13 | To Account Currant Bombay ℔ the Stanhope receiv'd 8 Bags each containing 2000 Rup$^{s}$. is ... ... ... | 16000 0 00 | |
| | | 23004 3 40 | |

## Per Contra. Cr.

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| March 1st. | By Chattoo Chitty on the above Contract at 5¼ ... ... ... ... ... | | 1697 0 00 |
| 31 | By Stephen Law Paymaster this Month ... | | 3824 3 20 |
| | By Ballance ... ... ... ... | | 17483 0 20 |
| | | | 23004 3 40 |

Tellicherry
March 31st. 1727.

Errors Excepted
℔ Robert Adams.

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ABSTRACT OF THE GENERALL PAYMASTER'S ACCOUNT FOR MARCH 1727.

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|---|---|---|
| Garrison Charges ... ... ... ... ... ... | 13512 | 9 |
| Fortification & House Repairs ... ... ... ... | 84 | 5 |
| Wars & Tumults ... ... ... ... ... ... | 875 | 4 |
| Board Wages ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1500 | — |
| Hospitall Charges ... ... ... ... ... ... | 733 | 12 |
| Charges on Merchandize ... ... ... ... ... | 130 | 14 |
| Servants Wages ... ... ... ... ... ... | 948 | — |
| Stable Charges ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 172 | 8 |
| Petty Charges ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 521 | 2 |
| Account Presents ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1649 | 6 |
| Tellicherry fan$^{s}$. ... | 20127 | 12 |

In order to adjust the Samorine's Accounts, the following Olas were carry'd to Callicutt Viz. WEDNESDAY 5TH.

| | | | Fan$^{s}$. | Tar. | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | for Callicut Fanams Dated Aug$^{st}$. 26$^{th}$. 1715 ... | | 43407 | 3 | |
| 1 | D°. | of December 1$^{st}$. 1716 ... | 66689 | 2 | |
| 1 | ... | February 1$^{st}$. 1716/7 ... | 100000 | — | |
| 1 | ... | March 1$^{st}$. 1716/7 ... | 100000 | — | |
| 1 | ... | July 1$^{st}$. 1717 ... ... | 100000 | — | |
| 1 | ... | Sept$^{r}$. 1$^{st}$. 1717 ... ... | 50000 | — | |
| 1 | ... | Nov$^{r}$. 1$^{st}$. 1718 ... ... | 98515 | 8 | |
| 1 | ... | Sept$^{r}$. 1$^{st}$. 1720 ... ... | 34664 | 11 | |
| 1 | ... | Sepr. 1. 1720 ... ... | 67106 | 05 | |
| 9 | Olas. | | | | 660383 1 |

1 Ola to oblige the Merchants to put their Hands in Oyle.
10 Decide thereby any dispute We may have with them.
1 D°. for a Rebate in Customs from 21 to 16 fan$^{s}$. Dated June 24$^{th}$. 1699.
1 D°. for Pawning his Customs Account the Debt.
1 D°. of Mauna Bedda Mother Queen for 8000 Fan$^{s}$. from the 1$^{st}$. January 1716/7.
1 D°. of Durmet Ponycaree July 1$^{st}$. 1716 for 5000 fanams.

This day the Chief with Mess$^{rs}$. Stephen Law, W$^{m}$. fforbes and Hugh Howard went on Board the Tellicherry Grab for Calicutt agreeable to the Resolution of Yesterday's Consultation. THURSDAY 6TH.

Imported Ship Wakefield Cap$^{t}$. Tho$^{s}$. Dixon who is likewise Supercargo, from Gombroon. MONDAY 24TH.

Arrived a Portugueze Ship from Mangalore. TUESDAY 25TH.

Sailed Ship Wakefield for Gombroon also the Portugueze Ship for Macao. FRYDAY 28.

This morning the R$^{t}$. Worsp$^{ll}$. Robert Adams Esq$^{r}$. Chief Mess$^{rs}$. Stephen Law, W$^{m}$. fforbes & Hugh Howard Arrived from Callicutt, & deliver'd in the following Diary of their Transactions in Settling the Samorine's Accounts there. DITTO DIE.

CALLICUTT.

Agreeable to the Resolution taken at Tellicherry, We embarkt yesterday for this place where We Arrived this morning & the Governour & Custom Masters being come We proposed forthwith to Set about the Samorine's Accounts but they desired We might begin the Ensuing day. FRYDAY 7TH.

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TUESDAY 11TH. Notwithstanding the Governour & Custom Masters came according to their promise on the 8th. Instant, yet they proceeded very slowly, 'till this day, when We Agreed on the Amount of our Customs, which are exactly what We have Inserted in our Books.

THURSDAY 13TH. Receiv'd a Letter from the Honble President & Council of Bombay Dated the 31st. Ultimo by the French Ship Labadine, acknowledging the recet of ours ℔ Sarum under the 27th. February, to which they say they will give the needfull Reply by the returning Ships to the other Coast; They hope We did not mistake the Orders given us by the Stanhope about Lading any Pepper on her, which We were not to do unless the Chief &ca. of Anjengo sho'd advise us they had not a sufficient Quantity wherewith to Load her home.

SATURDAY 15TH. This day We adjusted with the Governour & Custom Masters the severall Sums paid us on account the Samorine, since the Close of last Account, amounting to Fanams Two hundred Thirty two thousand Four hundred fifteen & Eight Tar which Excludes the Account Customs.

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MONDAY 17TH.

AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*

THE RT. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF.
STEPHEN LAW. WM FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD . . .

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

On observing the Samorine's Accot. last Concluded September 1st. 1720 We find Two olas without Interest, One, for Forty three thousand Four hundred seven & Three Tar, & One, for Sixty seven thousand, One hundred six & Five Tar, which We proposed to Charge as the first mony to be struck off, but the Governour and Custom Masters strenuously opposed it, alledging that the former Sum was Contracted for Building the Factory, & the latter was to be Discounted out of the English Customs, since it arose by doing us Service in Chastizing the Common ally for the Abuses & Insults Committed formerly by the Dutch Instigation, & although We insisted that half of the Sixty seven thousand One hundred six, & Five Tar be struck off, yet after a long Contest We co'd only prevaile on them that Twenty thousand Three hundred Forty four fans. & Eleven Tar be now allow'd, & a New Ola given us without Interest for Forty six thousand Seven hundred Sixty one Fans. & Eight Tar, then We proceeded to take notice which of the remaining Olas at Interest were most proper to be Accounted for, & as they Cavil at allowing more than the Sum Doubled, We thought best in Charging the Sixty six thousand Six hundred Eighty nine Fanams & Two Tar from the 1st. December 1716. & after reckoning the Interest due thereon to the 15th. Inst. & Informing them thereof, they did with one Voice Declare they wo'd not allow any thing more than double the Sum, & although We urg'd the tenour of the Olas were to allow Interest 'till paid, they deny'd 'tis ever usual to do so after the money is doubled, nor were any Instances of such to be produced, We thereupon finding it Impossible to prevaile on them, AGREED to Charge as Interest Fanams Sixty six thousand Six hundred Eighty nine Two Tar, & for an Ola of One hundred thousand Fanams from the 1st. ffebruary 1716/7 We Charg'd as Interest Seventy two thousand Five hundred, & receiv'd another Ola for Twenty seven thousand Five hundred Dated February 1st. 1716/7.

*Adjourn'd.*

Perused & agreed to
ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD

— *CALLICUTT, APRIL 1727* —

Imported Ship Mattersea Cap$^{t}$. W$^{m}$. Hurst, him & Zeckariah Gee Supracargos from Bengall. TUESDAY 18TH,

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AT A CONSULTATION DITTO DIE.

*Present*

THE R$^{T}$. WORSP$^{LL}$. ROBERT ADAMS ESQ$^{R}$. CHIEF.
STEPHEN LAW. W$^{M}$. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD. ————.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

The Governour & Custom Masters being come We first begun to adjust the Interest on the severall Sums receiv'd of them on Account the Samorine's Debt; Amounting to Two hundred, thirty two thousand Four hundred fifteen Fanams & Eight Tar, & on Stating the same from the time of the severall Payments to the 15$^{th}$. Ins$^{t}$. We find the Amount of Interest in the Samorine's Favour will be Sixty two thousand Four hundred Eighty one Fan$^{s}$. & fourteen Tar, We Consider$^{s}$. that for the Two Sums mention'd in our last Consultation they had allow'd us a short Interest under pretence of the mony being doubled We therefore Insisted on giving no more Credit for Interest, than 'till the time allowed us for the Two Sums aforesaid; on which a Long Debate Ensued, & after many Arguments We AGREED that instead of the Sixty two thousand Four hundred Eighty one Fanams & fourteen Tar, We would allow Forty thousand Two hundred Sixty eight & three & accordingly the Account was Credited for the same, as well as for Seventeen thousand Four hundred Eighty eight, & Five, which they paid us in part of the Amount of this Years Customs.

*Adjourn'd.*

PERUSED & AGREED TO ROB$^{T}$. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
W$^{M}$. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

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AT A CONSULTATION WEDNESDAY 19TH.

*Present*

THE R$^{T}$. WORSP$^{LL}$. ROBERT ADAMS ESQ$^{R}$. CHIEF.
STEPHEN LAW. W$^{M}$. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD. ————.

Read & Approved our Yesterday's Consultation.

On Ballancing the Samorine's Account made up to the 15$^{th}$. Instant We find the same Amounts to Callicutt Fanams Five hundred thousand Eight hundred Ninety four, for which sum We have Eight Olas as may be observ'd in the Account Currant Enter'd hereafter, & as severall Olas were by lying by, become old & Decay'd, We got them Exchang'd for New ones; The Governour and Custom Masters having severall with them Signed, but not filled up for that purpose, & as 'tis usual to make Presents on finishing the Accounts, We Distributed among them & other Great Men that came to Visit the Chief to the amount of Three thousand One hundred Seventy six Fanams.

*Adjourn'd.*

PERUSED & AGREED TO ROB$^{T}$. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
W$^{M}$. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

## Dr. Samorine Rajah in Account with the Honble United English East India Company Cr.

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| 1720 September 1st. | To the Ballance of last Account Curr$^{t}$. Adjusted this Date as ℔ the following Olas Viz$^{t}$. | Callicut Fan$^{s}$. | Tar. | | 1723 June 30 | By Sundry Sums paid at times from the 1$^{st}$. September 1720 to the 1$^{st}$. July 1726 as follows amounting to ... ... ... ... ... | 232415 | 8 |
| | 1 Ola Dated 26$^{th}$. August 1715 old Debt without Int$^{st}$. ... | 43407 | 3 | | | By Account Interest on the following Sums Viz$^{t}$. | | |
| | 1 D$^{o}$. 1$^{st}$. Dec$^{r}$. 1716 at Interest 1 ℔ Cent ℔ Mensem ... | 66689 | 2 | | | Fan$^{s}$. 10000 — from this Date to the 15 Aprill 1727 is 45½ months at 1 ℔ C$^{t}$. ℔ Mensem. | 4550 | — |
| | 1 D$^{o}$. 1$^{st}$. February 1716/7 Ditto. | 100000 | — | | 1723/4 January 1st. | — 5000 — Ditto is 39½ months D$^{o}$. ... | 1975 | — |
| | 1 D$^{o}$. 1$^{st}$. March 1716/7 Ditto... | 100000 | — | | February 21st. | — 5365 13 Ditto 37¾ D$^{o}$. ... | 2025 | 9 |
| | 1 D$^{o}$. 1$^{st}$. July 1717 Ditto ... | 100000 | — | | 1724 March 1st. | — 11370 — Ditto 37½ D$^{o}$. ... | 4263 | 12 |
| | 1 D$^{o}$. 1$^{st}$. Sept$^{r}$. 1717 Ditto ... | 50000 | — | | May 1st. | — 28316 — Ditto 35½ D$^{o}$. ... | 10052 | 3 |
| | 1 D$^{o}$. 1$^{st}$. Nov$^{r}$. 1718 Ditto ... | 98515 | 8 | | August 1st | — 40000 — Ditto 32½ D$^{o}$. ... | 13000 | — |
| | 1 D$^{o}$. 1$^{st}$. Sept$^{r}$. 1720 Ditto ... | 34664 | 11 | | December 24. | — 40000 — Ditto 27¾ D$^{o}$. ... | 11100 | — |
| | 1 D$^{o}$. 1$^{st}$. Sept$^{r}$. 1720 without Interest ... ... ... | 67106 | 5 | | 1725 April 1st. | — 41863 11 Ditto 24½ D$^{o}$. ... | 16256 | 10 |
| | | | | 660383 1 | 1726 May 12. | — 36902 — Ditto 10¾ D$^{o}$. ... | 3966 | 15 |
| 1727 April 15th. | To Account Interest Viz$^{t}$. | | | | June 30. | — 8567 — Ditto 9½ D$^{o}$. ... | 813 | 14 |
| | 1 Ola taken up this day amounting to fan$^{s}$. Calicutt 66689 2 Dated December (1$^{st}$.) 1716 the Samorine's Ministers wo'd not allow any more Interest than the Sum Doubled pleading the Custom of the Country the Interest allowed is Fanams ... | 66689 | 2 | | July 1st. | — 5031 — Ditto 9½ ... | 477 | 15 |
| | 1 Ola of fanams 100000 Dated Febry 1$^{st}$. 1716/7 broke & a New Ola given of the same Date for fanams 27500 & the remainder allow'd as Int$^{st}$. fan$^{s}$. Calicutt ... ... ... | 72500 | — | | | 232415 8 Interest amounts to fan$^{s}$. ... | 62481 | 14 |
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| | In Consideration the Samorine's ministers would not allow any more Interest for the ℔ Contra Two Olas taken up than the Principall doubled: for the above Interest of 62481 14 allowed the Samorine but fanams ... ... ... ... | | 40268 | 3 |
| | By Account Customs as ℔ our Books from the 1st. Septr. 1720 to the 15 Aprill 1727 amounts. to fanams ... ... ... ... ... ... | | 8551 | 1 |
| 1727 Aprill 15. | By Cash receiv'd this day ... ... ... ... | | (17488) | 5 |
| | By Ballance in 8 Olas Vizt. | | | |
| | 1 Ola Dated 26 Augst. 1715 Old Debt without Intst. ... ... | 43407 3 | | |
| | 1 Ditto ffebruary 1st. 1716/7 at Intst. 1 ℔ Ct. ℔ Mensem ... | 27500 — | | |
| | 1 Do. March 1st. 1716/7 Ditto ... | 100000 — | | |
| | 1 Do. July 1st. 1717 Ditto ... | 100000 — | | |
| | 1 Do. Septembr. 1st. 1717 Ditto ... | 50000 — | | |
| | 1 Do. November 1st. 1718 Ditto ... | 98515 8 | | |
| | 1 Do. September 1st. 1720 Ditto ... | 34664 11 | | |
| | 1 Do. Aprill 15. 1727 without Interest ... ... ... | 46761 8 | | |
| | | | 500849 | 2 |
| | Callicut ffanams ... | | 799572 | 3 |

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ROBERT ADAMS.
STEPHEN LAW.
Wm. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

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| | Callicutt fanams ... | | 799572 3 |

CALLICUTT. APRIL 15. 1727.

FRYDAY 21ST.

— *CALLICUTT, APRIL 1727* —

AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*

THE RT. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF.
STEPHEN LAW. WM. FORBES.
HUGH HOWARD. ...

Read & approved our last Consultation.

The Season of the Year being far advanc'd, So that We may reasonably apprehend the Monsoon will Set in quickly, We Judge 'tis Impossible to Comply with the Samorine's desire in making him a Vist, especially as he is retired a great way within Land, therefore We AGREE that the Chief writes him the following Ola, & as the Honble Company's Business is finished in the best manner possible, We likewise AGREE to Set out for Tellicherry the Ensuing day—"That according to "your Majesty's Writ, I arrived at Callicutt the 9th. Aprill, & proceeded to Settle, "the Accounts with your Govr. & Custom Masters to the 15th. April 1727/902 by "which you owe Five hundred thousand Eight hundred forty nine Fanams Two Tar "of which Four hundred & Ten thousand Six hundred Eighty & Five Tar is at "Interest, & a great part doubled, the rest being near so, now your Ministers will not "allow further than the Sum Doubled, 'though your Majesty knows the Same was "lent to Relieve the necessitys & Streights your Country was in, & in the Writs "tis expressly wrote to Continue at Interest 'till the whole Debt is satisfied, & now "to say, you will not allow it so, is what I believe will not be agreeable to my "Superiours & may be a means of your breaking with the Honourable Company; "to prevent it therefore 'tis best you seek ways & means to pay the Debt forthwith, "or at least half, & then give one Ola for the remainder at Interest, for otherwise I "believe they cannot be satisfied, I am also obliged to Inform you that the Receiver "of your Customs does not pay the 7/10 thereof according to the Agreement Stipu-"lated with your Majesty, if he had the Debt must have been considerably "diminished; your Majesty knows that the King of Puniture, Queen Mother, Durmett "Ponycary owe the Honble Company mony lent them in the time of your Wars with "the King of Cochin, all which do you either take into your Account, or oblige them "to make payment, I design'd personally to Set forth these things before your "Majesty, but the lateness of the Season, and delay in the Accounts wo'd not permit "I wait for a proper answer from you, In Order to write to Bombay, if I have their "Directions, shall wait on you in August or September to adjust every thing.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
Perused & agreed to JOHN JOHNSON
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

FRIDAY 28TH.

Receiv'd a Letter from the Chief & Factors of Onore, Dated the 21st. Instant acknowledging the recet of ours of the 27th. &29th. ultimo, Informing us they had forwarded the parcell of Medicinal Root to the Honble President, and Councill of Bombay We sent 'em, They likewise advise that on the Recet of our Letters they acquainted the Merchants with what We wrote concerning the Mallabar Munchua which their Gallevat had taken upon which they desired a few days to enquire further into the Certainty of the Affair, & seem to doubt the Verity of it, because Pauly Candi Cutteally whom We say is the Bearer of our last Letter, Owner & Noquedah of the Boat, that was taken, has not appear'd there, however they say as We are Satisfied She does not belong to any of the Rogues, that have taken their Munchuas, they have Order'd her to be deliver'd with the Rice & what else belongs to her, & desire We will endeavour to get Satisfaction from the Mallabar Pyrates who have taken their peoples Munchuas.

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Yesterday noon the Chief receiv'd a Note from the Serjeant in Command at Fort Putinha that about One hundred Nayrs came within Pistoll Shot of the place, & would not for some time be prevailed on to go away, notwithstanding they were told they ought not to be there but indeed this is because they have been permitted to frequent on our side they intrude thereupon, & do now appear in a very Insolent manner. The Serjeant not being willing to proceed to Hostilitys, wrote to the Chief for Orders, who Directed him to forbear fireing upon them, unless he was Attackt, but when they came again to send out a person to let them know they should not be permitted to come there, & then write away to Tellicherry for farther Orders; The Chief choose this Method as the only way to avoid coming to a Rupture, 'though Curringhoda seems by these proceedings to desire it. MAY MONDAY 1ST.

Sailed the Tellicherry Grab for the Coast & Bay. WEDNESDAY 3D.

Imported Ship Sarum Capt. John Mylne John Irving Supracargo from Suratt. DITTO DIE.

Sailed the Sarum for Fort. St. George. SATURDAY 6TH.

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AT A CONSULTATION MONDAY 8TH.

*Present*

THE RT. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES HUGH HOWARD.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

The Paymaster's Account for the Month of April & the Chief's Account of Cash for said Month being laid before the Board, they were both Examin'd & Passed; & the Amount of the former was Directed to be paid off; Copy of the latter & abstract of the former are Enterd hereafter.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

CASH

Dr.

| 1727 | | |
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| April 1st. | To Ballance ... ... ... ... ... | 43830. 08 |

Per Contra

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| 1727 | | |
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| April 30 | By Garrison Stores for 144 Buckets ... ... | 148. 12. |
| | By Balance ... ... ... ... ... | 43681. 12. |
| | | 43830. 08 |

RUPEES

Dr.

| 1727 | | Rupees. | Q. | Rs. |
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| April 1st. | To Ballance ... ... ... ... ... | 17483. | 0. | 20 |

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| 1727 | | Rupees. | Q. | Rs. |
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| April 30. | By Stephen Law Paymaster this month ... | 3400. | 0. | 00. |
| | By Ballance ... ... ... ... | 14083. | 0. | 20. |
| | | 17483. | 0. | 20 |

TELLICHERRY. APRIL 31st. (*Sic*) 1727.

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℔ ROBERT ADAMS.

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ABSTRACT OF THE PAYMASTER HIS ACCOUNT OF DISBURSEMENT FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 1727.

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| Garrison Charges ... ... ... ... ... ... | 13255. | 15. |
| Board Wages ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1500. | . |
| Hospital Charges ... ... ... ... ... ... | 769. | 10. |
| Charges on Merchandize ... ... ... ... ... | 95. | . |
| Servants Wages ... ... ... ... ... ... | 948. | . |
| Stable Charges ... ... ... ... ... ... | 177. | 08. |
| Petty Charges ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 627. | 11. |
| Tellicherry fan$^{s}$. ... | 17373. | 12. |

Imported the John Grab William Johnson Master, & Thomas Harnett Supracargo from Suratt. MONDAY 8TH.

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AT A CONSULTATION TUESDAY 9TH.

*Present*

THE R$^{T}$. WORSP$^{LL}$. ROBERT ADAMS ESQ$^{R}$. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
W$^{M}$. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

We having at severall times made enquiry concerning the Debt of Prince Cunhi Omma, & being Inform'd by the Chief that the said Prince has never yet given any Ola for said Debt whereby a Demand may be more regularly made, the Board do therefore desire the Prince may be Discours'd thereon, on taking a Survey of the Account as it stands this day on our Books, the amount due to the Honble Company, is Fanams Eighty one thousand Six hundred Eighty one. Six Vis, the Chief upon Informing him thereof. & at the same time demanding the same or at least part, he gave in answer, that the Severall Divisions in the Kingdom, principally kept up by Ally Rajah has quite Disabled him from making any payments, nor is he able to raise mony to carry on his necessary & Unavoidable Expences, but to demonstrate his Inclination of Extricating himself from the Debt ; He Proposes, that if We will pay him Annually Ten thousand Fanams, & forgive the above Debt he will make over the whole English Customs to us, which Comprizes all the Company's Goods, & what is Shipped off on private Account belonging to the English ; The Chief thinking this a proposall not of any Service, as indeed We do, & therefore not to be Accepted, proceeded no further in the Debate, but only took of him an Ola wherein he acknowledges himself Indebted the above Sum of Eighty one thousand Six hundred Eighty one, Six Vis & of this We AGREE to advise the Honble President & Council of Bombay when occasion offers.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROB$^{T}$. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
W$^{M}$. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

Sailed the John Grab for Fort S$^{t}$. George. WEDNESDAY 10TH

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THURSDAY 11TH. AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*

THE RT. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

The Chief Informs us that in the time of the Late Ally Rajah he Discoursed him often concerning Sundry Debts contracted with his Family Vizt.

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| Abassee Craw ... ... ... ... ... | 45108 | 01 | — |
| Anno 1681 Bally Craw ... ... ... ... | 2025 | — | — |
| Ally Rajah ... ... ... ... ... | 17831 | 13 | — |
| Fanams Calicut ... | 63964 | 14 | —(*Sic*) |

Said Debts as they had been of a very long Standing were thought Irrecoverable, and therefore wrote off the Books but as the Chief found by the late Ally Rajah's discourse that there were Accounts depending he wrote to Bombay for an Account how the same was Contracted, which being remitted he waited for a proper occasion to make the Demand, but through the troubles in the Country between him & our Prince, as well as our own, he could not do it, but as there is at present a seeming Quietness, He proposes that Messrs. Johnson, Law & fforbes go to Ally Rajah & endeavour to recover the same or at least to hear what he has to say concerning it ; AGREED therefore that the above persons go on Monday the 15th. Instant.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

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FRYDAY 12TH. Receiv'd an Ola from our Prince Cunhi Omma, advising us that Ally Rajah's Men did yesterday, being the 12th. of the Mallabar month, fire at one of his Forts called Pallia Cuna, & continue their Hostilitys without any reason, or Cause given for their so doing ; he is in extream want of 100 Bales Rice, 4 Chests Gunpowder & Lead, & begs We wo'd faile him not in that Quantity forthwith, as well as 25 Musqueteers he hopes his not sending mony will be no Impediment, since the present trouble is too great to admit of his getting it in so short a time.

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AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*

DITTO DIE. THE RT. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & Approved our Yesterday's Consultation.

The Contents of the Princes Ola being laid before us which Sets forth his Necessitys in a very great degree ; The Chief puts the Question if We can Supply him or no ; A Debate arising thereupon & the severall Letters from the Honble President & Councill of Bombay, as well as Sundry Paragraphs from the Honble Company relating

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thereto, being perused, the Orders are positive not to lend any Mony without previous Licence had & as the Prince is greatly in our Debt, We are Unanimously of Opinion that We cannot now Assist him, without Acting contrary to Orders & thereby rendring ourselves lyable to make good the same, should it be disapproved of by our Superiours, as We have just reason to believe it will ; however the Chief through his long Experience in the Country foreseeing the (detriment) which may arise to the Prince as well as give him great Offence & Disgust for not assisting him in so small a matter in the time of his Extraordinary necessitys, does therefore In order to prevent ill Consequences, Supply him on his own Account with the Rice, Powder & Lead mention'd in his Ola ; & wrote him an Answer which follows this Consultation.

*Adjourn'd.*

Robt. Adams.
John Johnson.
Stephen Law.
Wm. ffforbes.
Hugh Howard.

" That by the Advices sent, he observes the Moors have been so Insolent as to Attack his Forts & places, the particulars whereof he desires to be Inform'd of; As there is so large a Debt due to the Hoñble Company, the Gentlemen here think they dare not venture any more Loans, therefore the 4 Chests Gun powder, 4 Maund Lead. & 100 Bales Rice are on his own Account purely to Serve him in his present Necessitys ; but for the future, he must send mony or he cannot Supply him ; as to the Musqueteers they are disposed in so many places, that there are none to spare."

Saturday 13th

Notwithstanding the severall promises of Boyanore to discharge part of his Debt to the Hoñble Company, We find him now regardless therein, & therefore the Chief wrote him the following Ola ; " That after the finishing the Accounts no mony being sent, he was wrote to for it, & in answer thereto he promis'd to send the mony very speedily, which to this time is Uncomply'd with from Bombay we are askt why the same is not recover'd therefore that We may give a proper answer he must forthwith Send his Ministers in Company of the Bearer with the whole Sum due."

Sunday 14th.

The Serjeant in Command at Putinha has given advice at three severall times this day that a number of Nayrs & severall Topasses came very near the Fort & walkt to & fro severall times, he sent to forbid their stay there as being within the Company's Limits, but they insolently reply'd, they were not in ours, but that of the King of france, & to morrow they would be there again, and in the Evening about Thirty ffrench Men Hunted upon the Borders of our Confines. and the day before as one of our people was Cutting Wood, some of Curringhodas, took away his Hatchett.

Monday 15th.

Yesterday Imported the Charles Ketch from Bombay, by her receiv'd a Letter from the Hoñble President & Council under the 29th. Aprill, acknowledging the Recet of ours of the 4th. March, which came to hand the 24th. Ultimo, with an Enclosed Letter from Anjengo. They Direct for the future that Season'd Chests be prepared annually, for the Quantity of Cardamoms intended for England to Pack 'em into & expect a thousand Candys of Pepper be in Warehouse by the end of September, for which they doubt not our Gaining Credit, 'till they have an opportunity sufficiently to Supply us ; They say the Calculate of our Expences sent 'em will still Bear to be Curtailed, very Considerably by one they have Drawn out of our Monthly Expence, which they say is enclosed (though it did not come) Amounting to Fanams 13703 Exclusive of Unavoidable Repairs and Presents which are to be allow'd for, & to which they require We punctually Conform, at the foot of said Calculate Remarks are made wherein the same differs from that sent up by us, to which they add finding a Charge very Considerable at times for Physick, They order for the future no such be made on that Score, & that if it is found again the Chief is to be Recharg'd therewith, and Interest thereon. They Direct that Callicut Factory & Tannore House be Repaired, so as to Secure 'em from falling, & the former's Expences

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Yearly which is Eight thousand Fanams be reduced to Five thousand, as they think it more than sufficient to Support the Character of a Linguist since writing the foregoing they own the Recet of our Letter under the 24th. March which came to hand the 25th. [ulto] They say the Quantity of Pepper they expect from us, they think of sending for away sometime in August, or part & to avoid Disputes in Collecting the Duty additionall on Pepper they have thought fit to Include that of any kind, and wherever purchased in the Pepper Countrys on the Coast, & agreeable to the orders they have receiv'd from the Honble Company; they intend to write to the Presidencys of Bengall & Madrass to Collect said Duty on whatever brought under their Direction; The Enclosed Packet for Angengo they Direct be forwarded Express.

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MONDAY 15TH.

AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*

THE RT. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

By the Remarks made in our Diary foregoing We may reasonably apprehend the French and Cuny Nayr mean by their often Insults given us at Putinha to Engage us in troubles. The Chief therefore desires our Opinion how We are to proceed the Nature thereof being Consider'd, as well as the necessity We are under to keep ourselves, if possible out of troubles We are all Inclined, as the only Remedy, to Bear every thing unless Attackt, then indeed a Repulse is Uuavoidable; AGREED therefore the Chief give the following Standing Orders to be observed both at Moylan & Putinha, & as the Weather is set in, & no going by Sea to Cannanore as was Agreed on in our Consultation of the 11th. Inst. We must deferr it 'till it is fair.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

TO THE OFFICER IN COMMAND AT MOYLAN FORT.

The French with the Nayrs of Curringhoda daily Insulting Putinha, know not but they may still carry it on further & Assault said place, therefore you are hereby Order'd on the first notice or Sight of any disturbance there to repair with Ten or fifteen men of your Garrison to their assistance, but on no Account Commence a Fray with them, only defend yourselves, giving me an account as expeditiously as possible that may accordingly Succour you, this is to be a Standing Order, 'till Contradicted by

SR.
Your Affectionate Friend
ROBERT ADAMS.

TELLICHERRY.
MAY 15TH 1727.

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To Serjeant Thomas Fisher
in Command at Putinha.

Observing the daily Complaints you make of the Insults of the French & Cuny Nair's people to you, & your being apprehensive they may beset you by night, or day, have therefore given orders to the Officer at Moyalan on the first notice to assist you in person with ten or fifteen Men, whom you are in such Case to obey as your Officer during his Stay, on no Account be you the Agressor, or offer to Break the Peace first, but suffer all things ' till they use Hostilitys, then make the best Defence you can, giving me advice as soon as possible keeping your men & Guns ready for all occasions; this is to be a Standing Rule ' till Contradicted by,

Tellicherry.
May the 15th. 1727.

Your Affectionate Friend
Robert Adams.

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Receiv'd an Ola from Boyanore as follows. "That as to his paying the mony "demanded immediately, he cannot do it, the Sum is large, & he has a great many "Debtors, who can not discharge their Accounts ' till September, if they then Comply "with their promise, he will make the whole good, therefore desires We will stay ' till "that time; he keeps no mony by him, nor is he inclined to make Excuses; his real "design is to get in his mony & pay it us." Monday 15th.

Wrote a Letter to the Chief &c$^{a}$. at Anjengo of this Date ℔ Patamar Express enclosing their Packet from Bombay receiv'd the 14th. Agreeable to the Orders of the Honourable President & Councill. Tuesday 16th

One Baunibeltu Quiomo a Moor Merchant of this place, complains that a Munchua of his that has frequently gone & come out of Mihie River without any Interruption, is now detain'd there by the French, upon which our Chief wrote a Letter to theirs, desiring as the Munchua belongs to this place that he would Suffer her to come away forthwith. Thursday 18

The Owner of the above Munchua came this Morning to Inform us that the French Chief upon receiving the Letter, Order'd her away but without giving any answer, demanding of the people why he had been told She belong'd to the English, when he knew She really appertained to the said Baunibeltu Quiomo, but they said as Living under the English Protection they Esteem'd themselves as theirs. Friday 19th.

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At a Consultation

*Present*

The Rt. Worspll. Robert Adams Esqr. Chief.
John Johnson. Stephen Law.
Wm. ffforbes. Hugh Howard.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

In the Articles of Peace made in the Year 1719 with Curringhoda Corriporinour he makes over to the Honble Company all the Ground lying between our Forts or Tellicherry & Moylan and which We have been long since endeavouring to Cultivate but a War breaking out some time after, as well as the Country being kept in Con-

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tinual Alarms, it was Impossible to get the Natives to Set about any thing of that kind; & even in November last 1726 We were under a necessity of Fortifying Putinha hill which lyes a little S°. ward inLand of Moylan, to prevent Curringhoda's Settling there; from whence, He, assisted with the French, was to have [an]noyed Moylan, & consequently engaged us in fresh troubles; our proceedings & [Caution] therein, have destroy'd their Measures, so that We are now more Secure, and Quiet, Judging this a favourable opportunity, We have been persuading the Country people to Manure the Ground lying in our Limits aforesaid, & severall being willing to Rent it; The Chief asks the Board what methods We shall take therein In order to bring the greater Benefit to our Hoñble Masters, & upon enquiring the Rules observed throughout the Country in such Cases We find that 'tis a Settled way to permit the people to Plant Trees &c^a^. on the rising Ground, & after they are come to Maturity so as to give fruit, then Three or Four Men well Verst in such matters are to Settle the Rent according to what the same will produce, but if We are Inclined to Dispossess the person of the same, We must then allow him as follows. For each Coconut Tree 2½ fan^s^. a Beetle Tree ¼ Pepper Vine ¼. Coffee Tree ¼ & a Jac Tree 8 Fanams, at this Rate We are to pay him, if We turn him out of the Ground, 'though if he has a mind to leave it, the whole becomes Forfeited to us, & according to this way We Unanimously AGREE the Ground shall be given out to as many as will take it, & the Chief is to give Olas to the severall Renters, as ℔ Translate of one Enter'd hereafter. The next thing under our Consideration is the Verge Ground that lyes within our limits, all which We AGREE to Lett out at the Rate they gave [us] the former Proprietor Curringhoda of this great care is to be taken that We are not Imposed upon, and as a Caution therein the Person who Rents any Spot of Verge ground shall oblige himself to pay us whatever may be found out that he has been deficient of what was formerly given the then Proprietors. Translate of his Agreement Signed by the Chief is Enter'd hereafter, & to be kept of what Ground is Lett out.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROB^T^. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

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THE MALLABAR FORM OF AGREEMENT ON LETTING OUT GROUND WROTE BY THE OWNER THEREOF.

In the Year . . . this Ola is given Whereas . . . Inhabitant of . . . gives his Ground called . . . to . . . Inhabitant of . . . to Cultivate & Improve Coconut Trees, Beetle Trees Pepper Vines, Coffee Trees & Jac Trees as many as can be placed in the Ground, except Jac Trees of which are to be only four; The above upon being Grown up, & (Flourishing) are Valued as follows.

A Coconut Tree 2½ fanams, Beetle Tree ¼ Pepper Vine ¼ Coffee Tree ¼ & a Jac Tree 8 Fanams. This is according to the Laws of the Land, & Given in the presence of Eleven People.

THE MALLABAR FORM OF LETTING OUT VERGES.

In the Year . . . Robert Adams Esq^r^. Chief gives the Hoñble Companys Verges Named . . . to . . . to Cultivate & Sowe, the Rent to be . . . Dungoys of Paddy ℔ Annum which is to be given every Year in Tellicherry Fort.

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MONDAY 22D.

AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*

THE RT. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & approved our last Consultation.

The Hoñble President & Council of Bombay having given us Sundry Directions in their Letter under the 29th. Aprill ; The Chief Summons this Meeting to consider of the Contents of said Letter. The Cardamoms which lay last Season in Warehouse, proving mouldy by lying, & We proposing always to keep 'em in Chests, We are now Directed to provide such a number as will be Sufficient to contain what We may be order'd to send home in future & therefore do AGREE to provide about 100 Chests to lye ready. The Calculate We sent up, appearing too large, they Inform us of having Drawn out another Amounting only to fanams 13703. & which they require our Conforming but thro a Negle[c]t(as We Suppose)it did not come ; We did in that We Drew out reduce every thing to as little as possible, & althô it amounted to fanams 18478.12 vis. yet We could not without Disbanding our Soldiery, make it otherwise, & We gave very Substantial reasons why it was not Consistent with our safety to make any alteration therein, & indeed as the same necessity holds We cannot Diminish any part since Curringhoda & the French are still waiting an occasion to trouble us, however when the Calculate [Arrives.] We shall do all in our power, having a regard to the preservation of the Settlement, & Garrison'd places. The Notice taken of the Charge of Physick & the positive order none be procured by us, but sent for from Bombay, comes next under our Consideration ; It was usual to be Supply'd from thence but the extravagant Value it was Rated at, & the Badness thereof obliged our Surgeon to make continual Complaints, & indeed he represented to us how impossible it was for him to take care of the Garrison with Such old & decay'd medicines, of this We gave frequent advice to the Hoñble President & Council, but without any redress, their Surgeon insisting on the Goodness of the medicines sent, & as We found by our Surgeon that he could get proper things from Goa & other places, it has been usual lately to purchase them from thence, & have been encouraged therein by the vast difference in the Goodness ; This practice is now so far disapproved of, that the Chief, is to let nothing more be Charged on this Account, & if it be, he will be obliged to Repay it, & the Interest thereon ; this severe Notice taken, & particularly apply'd to him, gives him some uneasiness, especially as the thing is so plain, that he [asked] no more therein than what was thought [Beneficial] to the Publick, & it seems Strange to him that his care therein sho'd be Retorted with such Asperity, & indeed We are assured that since 'tis so Censured, he will give no reason in future to be reprimanded in the manner he now is, but shall expect to be Supply'd from Bombay. The Repairing Callicut & Tannore Factorys being now permitted We shall write forthwith to our Linguist to make an Estimate of the Expence of the former, & after the Rains Set about doing what is necessary for the Securing of both from falling, the Orders coming too late to make a beginning now. We did in our Diary under the 22d. March make a strict Scrutiny into the Expences of Callicut Factory & found it Impossible to reduce any part thereof, nor would it be Consistent with the Security of the place, to put away any of the Nayrs, so that it must remain as it is, at about 500 Fanams ℔ Mensem. The Hoñble President & Councill require & expect that We have 100[0] Candys Pepper ready by the latter End of August, & if We have not got in the Debts sufficient to procure what is wanting of that Quantity, We are to Get Credit for it, Upon Examining our Warehouse Account We find, We have about 432½ Candys Pepper by us, so that We shall want 567½ Candys, this then is what We are to provide for, & as We have not been able to get in any of the Outstanding Debts, We do AGREE to try if We can get such a Quantity in Loan at a Moderate price, & the Chief is desired to use his Endeavours, & accordingly advise us.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

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SATURDAY 27TH. Receiv'd a Letter from the Chief & Factors at Onore, Dated the 10th. Instant. Enclosing a Packet from the Hoñble President & Council of Bombay which proved to be Duplicate of what they wrote us under the 29th. ultimo, & another for Anjengo. The Calculate mention'd in said Duplicate did not come to Hand.

WEDNESDAY 31ST. Wrote a Letter to the Chief & Factors at Anjengo, Enclosing a Packet forwarded from Onore the 27th. Instant, & sent duplicate of our last under the 16th.

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SATURDAY 3D. AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*

THE RT. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQS. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

The Paymaster's Account & Chief's Treasury account for last Month, being deliver'd in they were both Examin'd, & passed, & the Amount of the former was AGREED to be paid off; Abstract of the former & Copy of the latter are Entered hereafter.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

ABSTRACT OF THE PAYMASTER'S ACCOUNT OF DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 1727.

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| Garrison Charges ... ... ... ... ... ... | 12826 | 12 |
| Fortification & House Repairs ... ... ... ... | 920 | 04 |
| Board Wages ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1500 | — |
| Hospitall Charges ... ... ... ... ... ... | 642 | — |
| Charges on Merchandize ... ... ... ... ... | 107 | 8 |
| Servants Wages ... ... ... ... ... ... | 948 | — |
| Stable Charges ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 215 | 12 |
| Petty Charges ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 646 | 3 |
| Account Presents ... ... ... ... ... ... | 118 | — |
| Tellicherry fans. ... | 17224 | 07 |

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CASH.

| | | | Dr. Fanams. | Tar. |
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| 1727 | | | | |
| May 1st. ... | To Ballance ... ... ... ... ... | | 43681 | 12 |

| | | | Per Contra Cr. Fanams. | Tar. |
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| 1727 | | | | |
| May 1st. ... | By account Currant Bombay for what supply'd the Bombay Gally & Victoria Grab by the Steward in March & not brought to Account till now Vizt. | | | |
| | 8 Boats with Water in Casks ... | 16 | | |
| | 25 Ditto in Bulk ... ... | 75 | | |
| | 2 Do. that were returnd & went again ... ... ... | 6 | | |
| | | | 97 | 00 |
| | By Garrison Charges [Narr]angport Head Nayr [his] pay one Year due at the Box last month ... ... ... ... | | 120 | 00 |
| | By Stephen Law Paymaster this Month ... | | 2925 | 00 |
| | By Ballance ... ... ... ... ... | | 40539 | 12 |
| | Fanams ... | | 43681 | 12 |

RUPEES.

| | | | Dr. Rupees. | qr. | Raes. |
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| 1727 | | | | | |
| May 1st. ... | To Ballance ... ... ... ... | | 14083 | 0 | 20 |

| | | | Per Contra Cr. Rupees. | qr. | Raes. |
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| May 12 ... | By Hospitall Stores for 16 Quilts for the sick ... ... ... ... ... | | 32 | 0 | 00 |
| 31 ... | By Do. for Physick out of the Stanhope | | 30 | 0 | 00 |
| | By Stephen Law Paymaster this month... | | 3000 | 0 | 00 |
| | By Ballance ... ... ... ... | | 11021 | 0 | 20 |
| | Rupees ... | | 14083 | 0 | 20 |

TELLICHERRY MAY 31st. 1727.

ERRORS EXCEPTED

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ROBERT ADAMS.

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SATURDAY 3D. This day We receiv'd Notice by means of an Ola wrote by one of Curringhoda's people to a person here that on Sunday last, the French Chief, Major &c$^{a}$. came to their place of Caria Cuna, In order for their taking a Survey of Putinha; Curringhoda being present, he thought it a fit opportunity to Stir up differences between us, told them that our men were often Guilty of Cutting the Trees lying under the Fort of said Caria Cuna, this is a most notorious falsity since instead there of (as may be observ'd in our Diary) they have insolently come very frequently under the very Guns of Putinha & [carry'd] away the Timber, & 'though Order'd to go away, yet they despis'd our people & w'd not stir; in the said Ola notice is taken of two Englishmen that Deserted us Tuesday the 30$^{th}$. of May, who Reported that Four more men were resolv'd to follow very speedily.

MONDAY 5TH. The Serjeant at Putinha gives notice that the French Stonecuttors are very Busy in making up their Fort of Caria Cuna with Stones he sent out some of our people to Lodge near Ponella to lay wait for a Deserter who left us the last night, they saw severall Nayrs Dispers'd here & there, seeming to be on the Watch, & our Men demanding the reason of their being there, they said they were only come there to walk, upon which they were forbid not to frequent near our places but rather keep on their side in their Limits, & then they went away.

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TUESDAY 6TH.

AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*

THE R$^{T}$. WORSP$^{LL}$. ROBERT ADAMS ESQ$^{R}$. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
W$^{M}$. FORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & approved our last Consultation.

On the 12$^{th}$. May last as may be observ'd by our Consultation of that Date, the Prince wrote pressingly to us for Supplys to Enable him to Contend with the Violencys Committed by Ally Rajah, but as he was already greatly in our Hoñble masters, Debt, & the Hoñble Presid$^{t}$. & Council of Bombay having often wrote us upon no Account to give any farther Loans, We were therefore obliged to refuse him, least We Sho'd become lyable to make the same good ourselves, however the Chief thinking an abrupt denyall would prove of ill Consequence to our Hoñble Masters Affairs, as the Prince would be greatly displeas'd; He did therefore Supply him with sundry things on his own Account, with this help as well as some Nayrs of Narrangport who were permitted to go from hence the Prince was put in Security, and Ally Rajah seem'd to Decline any designs he might have; The people of Narrangport having nothing to do, & the Princes Minister telling them they might repair home they accordingly return'd the 4$^{th}$. Ally Rajah has had a long design to take the Prince's Hill of Codalla, on which he Built a Fort purely as a Barrier to a Large Country which produces a great Quantity of Pepper, We have been the more assiduous to Secure that Hill In Order for the preserving the Pepper which We have hitherto had; but Ally Rajah through desire of Conquest as well as an aim of obtaining the Trade aforesaid, did last night Treacherously Seize the above Hill & Fort, by which he is become master of the Country thereabouts; We had formerly some Jealousy that the Dutch intended to take possession of the place for their Company, & as We well knew our share of Trade would thereby be lost, We wrote to the Hoñble Presid$^{t}$. & Councill of Bombay for Licence to Hoist a Flag, & have a Banksall where now lives our merchant Chatoo Chitty, he is the person from whom We procure the major part of our Pepper, & as Ally Rajah by his not adhering to him, has an Intention to harm him, We do therefore AGREE to send a Serjeant, Corporall & Twelve Soldiers to Secure the House Person & Goods of said Chatoe Chitty, for as he is a man of Integrity & always Favours our Interest; it will Redound greatly to our Honourable

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Masters Loss & Discredit should he suffer by Ally Rajah, whom We Agree the Chief writes to, that he may not plead Ignorance, & We shall have this advantage by our people's being there, in preserving our Right to the place; should We have reason to Judge it for our Interest to Settle there; Translate of the Chief's Ola to Ally Rajah is Enter'd hereafter.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

TRANSLATE OF THE CHIEF'S OLA TO ALLY RAJAH VIZT.

"The Fort of [Codolla] is what you have had a great desire to get & now I hear "you are Gratified therein; which I am glad of; as your people are on that place, "it's proper I sho'd advise you of the persons Goods & things which are in those "parts belonging to the Honble Company; In the Buzar of Naddamell there is the "Company's merchant Named Puddianon Chatoo Chitty, in whose Warehouses are "their Goods; as there is such a Friendship with you & the Company I make no "doubt, but you will have a good regard to what belongs to them, but if otherwise "you should molest said Chatoo Chitty, his House, Goods, money or Warehouses, "the Company will demand the Same of you, I hope you will give no occasion for "this, but rather Favour him with your good Will; & that the above may be "Secure, I have Order'd a Serjeant & some Soldiers to be there in the name of the "Company; To this I desire you will send me an Answer.

WEDNESDAY 7TH.

Pursuant to the preceeding Consultation, a Serjeant, Corporall, Twelve Soldiers, & Five of our Moors Marcht hence yesterday Evening at about Four a Clock, & past the River before Sun Sett, in order to proceed to the house of our merchant Chatoo Chitty at Agarr, but the Moors of Durmapatam belonging to Ally Rajah [assembled] from all parts, & positively deny'd our [men] a passage that way, threatning them with Death & seem'd to make severall motions as if they intended to Cut[them] off, withall getting between them & the River, & Surrounding them with near Five hundred armed people; The Serjeant in Command as well as the Soldiers every minute expected the Assault & Forming themselves in a Body, fixt their Bayonets & resolved to Dye Bravely, in this manner they continued for some time; now & then Expostulating with Ally Rajah's Principal men, who neither would permit them to proceed forward, nor yet come back, but about Eight at Night, as the Chief had notice of their being Stopt he Order'd them to return, which the Moors at last Consented to, but not without abusing them with most Scurrilous Language, finding this usage & fearing the ill Consequences thereof to Chatoo Chitty the Chief wrote another Ola to Ally Rajah as follows: "Yesterday I advised you of my sending Ten "or Twelve Soldiers to Agar to Protect the House of Chatoo Chitty, but by an "Insolent Impediment from your people they could not pass Durmapatam, however "I must repeat this to you, that the House Goods & Chattells of said Chatoo Chitty "belong to the Honble Company & which I now reckon as in your Hands, so that "if there proves any abuse therein, you will be Deem'd answerable for it, of which "I advise you to take due notice."

THURSDAY 8TH.

This Evening the Chief receiv'd an Ola from Ally Rajah, translate of which is as follows. "I have receiv'd your Letter & observe it's Contents in regard to the Hill "of Coddala I formerly spoke to you of it, & you endeavour'd to obtain it from the "Prince, but he refused Gratifying us therein, but now with [the] Benefit [of yo]ur "wishes & the Justness of my Cause, I have got the place; as to wh[at] you "write of Chatoo Chitty & his [Goods] assure you, I Esteem what belongs to you "as if my own, & mine as yours, & you may Certifie him I shall not give him "trouble. But I must add this that when I may happen to stand in real need of "your assistance I hope you will not deny it me."

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DITTO DIE. The Chief wrote an Ola to our Prince Cunhi Homa, expressing a great Concern for the Loss of his Hill, & advised him not to take it too much to Heart but to Unite with those of the Royall Line, & strive to Regain the Credit of the whole Country; 'Tis Common when Subjects are Disobedient for a Prince to Suffer, therefore an Union of the whole is the only means to bring things in order, & Establish the Generall Peace.

SATURDAY 10TH. The Chief receiv'd an Ola from our Prince, Setting forth the unhappy Condition he is in by the Loss of Coddala, he has met with many misfortunes & yet they have been Retriev'd by the favour of the Company, whose assistance is his only dependance for We cannot but know how [distracted] the Country is, & as there are so many of the Royall Line, 'tis extream difficult to Effect the necessary Union, & indeed he finds so much Treacherry & Deceit, that he even thinks his Palace & person Unsafe, & therefore desires Twenty of our men to be with him; this Action of Ally Rajah proceeds from an Unbounded Ambition & Hatred, for he has never given the least Cause to Justifie his destroying his men & seizing his places.

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MONDAY 12TH. AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*

THE RT. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & approved our last Consultation.

On the 6th Instant as Ally Rajah had made himself master of our Prince's Fort Coddala, which as We observed then, would prove of ill Consequence to our future Trade that way & in a particular manner so to our merchant Chatoo Chitty who, as he is the only m[an hereabouts] of either Integrity, or Credit, We RESOLVED on sending some of our Garrison Soldiers to preserve him & Goods from the Moors Fury, but they not being permitted to pass over Ally Rajah's Island of Durmapatam We could not think of any means for the present more than by writing Ally Rajah of the Abuses done us by his people but he, as may be observed by his Ola, passes by our Complaint & only in short gave us hopes of his not molesting the aforesaid Chatoo Chitty, but this morning by an Ola from [sd.] Chatoo We are Inform'd that the Moors have Enter'd into the Country, Broke down the Nayrs Dwellings, Rob'd their Women, [and] Violated their Pagodas & Tanks, & therefore he intreats us in the most pressing manner to afford him some assistance, or he believes his Ruin will soon be accomplish'd; The Honble President & Council of Bombay when We represented to them our apprehensions that the Dutch would get the Trade in those parts, by way of prevention, permitted us to Hoist our Colours at Agar where this Chatoo Chitty lives, now as there appears so apparent a danger of loosing all the Pepper Trade, that way, the Chief asks the Opinion of the Board what methods We can take to prevent it; after [so]me Debate thereupon, and Considering how Impossible 'tis to send any people by Sea, nor can any go over Durmapatam, the Chief proposes to pass them by way of Cotata, whose King, as he is now in Amity with us, We believe will give us no Impediment; AGREED therefore that Fifteen Soldiers & some of Narrangports Nayrs proceed fortwith to Agarr, to Defend in the Name of the Honble Company, the House, Person & Goods of the aforemention'd Chatoo Chitty.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

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MONDAY 12TH.

This Evening the Serjeant at Putinha advises, that on seeing Three Topass Soldiers belonging to the French with Four Nayrs under Ponella, he sent out our Forces to know why they came there, & withall to order them out of our Limits they said they came there to Hunt & would remain there, and notwithstanding our men urg'd them to be gone, they gave deriding answers & said they were in Cuny Nairs Ground & let them fire at them if they durst at last in defiance of our people they march'd by the Wood Side under Putinha.

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WEDNESDAY 14TH.

AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*

THE RT. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

We have advice from our Officers both of Moylan & Putinha, that last night the French fired a Considerable number of Small Arms, & Great Guns with Shot some of which from Caria Cuna fell near Putinha, & in all their places on this side the River they were Alarmed, & at severall times in the Night Discharg'd Volleys & made false Fires, We have had for some time past notice that the Two Nombiers Caquert, & Muta had attempted the pulling down their Hedges that Surround their Forts, but this morning We are better inform'd that Curringhoda has treacherously done it, in Order to bring us into a Broil, by saying 'tis We that do it, & the Report has been so Spread, & Confidently, so as that even very lately 150 of OUR [*sic*] Men were actually seen under the Fort of Caria Cuna, & past from thence under our Limits; We have just reason to apprehend the French may be inclined to Credit Curringhoda's report, & probably Induce them to Side with him, by lending him their men in disguise to attack Putinha; The Chief therefore Proposes, to prevent any ill Consequence of that kind, that We write forthwith to the French Setting forth how often their people have come into our Ground under Ponella, & Insolently used our men; & last night some of their Shot from Caria Cuna fell under Putinha the reason of which to desire them to Signifie to us, this method & withall assuring them We are heartily inclined to keep a good understanding with them as well as that We have Acted in no Respect otherwise, will probably prompt them to make their Complaints to us according to what Curringhoda tells them of us, & then We shall have a good opportunity the more effectually to Lay open his Villanous Artifices; AGREED therefore that We write the following Letter, & Translate it into Portuguese, which is the Language they have some time since desired us to write in.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

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—— *JUNE 1727* ——

To Mr. Tremisot Chief for the
Royall Company of France &c^a.
at Mihie.

Sir & Sirs,

This Serves to inform you that exclusive of the several times your people have come under our Fort of Putinha, & disturb'd us, now lately on the 12/23 of the present Month; three of the Topass Soldiers of your Garrison with four of Curringhodas Nayrs were seen under Ponella by our Officer, who courteously sent to know why they were there, & they saying it was in order to Hunt, our men desired they wo'd choose some [other] place out of our Limits for that purpose; to which your people insolently [said they] were in Curringhodas Ground & not in ours, & bid our men fire on them [if they durst], upon which ours return'd to give this account to their Officer, & your people walkt on under our Fort of Putinha.

The last night being the 13/24, We heard severall Volleys & Discharges of Cannon, & saw severall Lights in all your places to the n°.ward of Mihie, & this morning our Officers at Putinha [&] Moylan Inform us that some Shot from your Fort of Caria Cuna past very near him at Putinha, as We have given no Cause for this, but rather as We have Engaged to each other, so We desire to live in good understanding with you & therefore We wo'd gladly know the reason of this proceeding of yours.

We have had [for some]time past an Inclination to write you of our Complaints, but our people are not Treated in the same manner yours are, who have an open way to us without the least hindrance, We wish you wo'd oblige Curringhoda to forbear Impeeding our men that We may as occasion requires Communicate with you.

We are
Sir & Sirs
Your Humble Servants
Robert Adams.
John Johnson
Stephen Law.
Wm. ffforbes.
Hugh Howard.

Tellicherry.
June 14. 1727. O.S.

Thursday 15th. Last night at about Ten our men return'd from Mihie with the following Letter from the French Chief; giving a Relation of what happen'd there, which follows Translate of said Letter.

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To Mr. Robert Adams Chief for the
Hoñble English Company &c^a. Councill.

Sir & Sirs,

I have receiv'd the Honour of yours of the 14/25 Instant, in which [any] things mentioned that require I should Inform myself of, in order to answer you, & as [I] cannot [do] it without enquiring first at the severall places of ours, shall therefore deferr it 'till tomorrow & am

Sirs,
Your Humble Servant
Tremisot.

Mihie.
June 25th. 1727. N.S.

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The Relation of Caetano Dias, & Matheus Pereiro—who being sent to Mihie, with a Letter, & Order'd to call at Caria Cuna for one of the French Soldiers to Conduct them thither, which they Granting they marcht, on & got to Mihie at past three in the Evening, & delivering the Letter to the Chief, he Order'd them to Sit

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in the Porch & not stir from thence, but they being willing to speak with their acquaintance without, endeavour'd to go out but was Stopt by a Corporall & not permitted; however some of the Soldiers came near & talked with them, asking why We had attempted to break down the Hedge of Caria Cuna, & that they had actually seen our men & Narrangports under their Fort, & had fired both great & small Shot at them, & notwithstanding our men Confidently Denyed this yet they added farther to Confirm it, that a Paundy Fellow had given them Notice that he actually saw Two men lying wounded in our Hospitall; some others added that We have offer'd the Prince a large Sum to take their place of Caria Cuna, & each Nayr also 100 Fanams; at near Seven the Chief gave them a Letter, & Order'd them away forthwith, a Corporall taking care they did not stay, & a Paundy Soldier went with them, & carry'd them directly to Cuny Nayrs House, where he askt for a Nayr to pass them by Curichy; upon which Two other Nayrs came down Judging our people to belong to Tellicherry, cry'd out to Cut them [off but] another [Nayr] who was known to our people, as having serv'd in [our] Fort from [a] Child, he took their part & said they belong'd to the French & were going to Caria Cuna [upon] which he & 25 Nayrs marcht with our Men as far as said place, & told them by no means to seem as belonging to us, for that Cuny Nayr was greatly our Enemy & much Exasperated, that We had sent a Letter to Mihie, he desired they would tell the Chief of his care of them, & that he wo'd advise if any thing hapned, he parted with them at Caria Cuna giving them Two Nayrs to go farther with them.

This Evening We receiv'd the following Letter from the French Chief & Councill of Mihie in answer to what We wrote them the preceding day, Translate of which with our answer is as follows. THURSDAY 15TH.

To Mr. Adams Chief for the Honble
English Company &ca. Council.

Sir & Sirs

We have receiv'd yours of the 14th. by which you Inform us, that three of our Topasses, in Company with Four Nayrs which, were Hunting, have Caused you some Uneasiness, We have made enquiry about it & the Officer on Guard at Caria Cuna tells us, that actually some of our people had been near your Fort; but that your people at Putinha which were sent by your officer, to see who they were, came much nearer to our Fort than our people to yours; We cannot Conceive how it could possibly give you any Uneasiness, being that We have much more reason than you to be made so, as to what your people & ours may have said to one another, as likewise the Nayrs on both sides, neither of us ought to take much notice of what such sort of people say, moreover our people positively deny what you accuse them of, We [wo'd] forbid them for the future to approach your Fort when they go walking; As to our fireing both our Small Arms [&] Great Guns which you have heard from your Posts in Curringhodas Country, it has been with no other design than to keep at a distance some of our ill Wishers, who for three nights together have approached our Pallisadoes; were We to believe publick Report We sho'd make no doubt of it's being you, or at least through your means that any one Seeks to Surprize us, & it is of you We ought to Complain for the Uneasiness has been Caused us, & the reason We have not done [it] is, that We thought it wo'd have been to no purpose; because We are resolved to keep a strict Watch, & to Repulse any one that shall attack us be they who they will; As to the passage of which you talk, We see your people come here every day, both with & without Notes. We are with much Esteem.

Sirs,
Your most humble Servants,
Tremisot.
Le Chevalier D'La
ffarelle.
Louet.

Mihie.
June 26. 1727. N.S.

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To Mr. Tremisot Chief for the Royall
Company of France &c^a. Council
at Mihie.

Sir & Sirs,

We have receiv'd yours of this Date, in answer to what We wrote you Yesterday, by which We observe the Complaints We therein made are not well receiv'd by you, but as you assure us your people have orders not to approach our places, so We shall repeat the same to ours, not to come near yours, being desirous of avoiding every thing that may give uneasiness.

In regard to the ill [designs] of those who came for [three] nights near your Pallisados in Curringhoda's Country, We are very glad you did not give Credit to the Publick Report for We assure you it was [neither] us, nor any persons employ'd by us either directly or Indirectly that made any such attempt but if We can rely on what We hear publickly this way, it was Curringhoda that did it, purely to Gratifie his desire of Imbroiling us both, & that he wants to do so, you very well know, & if you will make a strict & Impartial enquiry, you will find it to be really him. We wrote you for an open way for our people, that We might as occasion required, Communicate with you, those which you say do go, & come with & without notes are only Vagabonds, not belonging to us, & our two men sent to you yesterday returning without one of your Soldiers were very ill used at Curichy & threatned by Curringhoda with Death. We hope you will Rectifie these things for the future. We are,

Sir & Sirs,
Your humble Servants,

Tellicherry.
June the 15th. 1727 O.S.

Robert Adams.
John Johnson.
Stephen Law.
Wm. Forbes.
Hugh Howard.

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Fryday
16th.

At a Consultation

*Present*

The Rt. Worspll. Robert Adams Esqr. Chief
John Johnson. Stephen Law.
Wm. ffforbes. Hugh Howard

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

On the [27th.] May We took notice of the Honble President & Councill of Bombay their requiring us to have One thousand Candys of Pepper ready in August, & to obtain a Loan for such a Quantity as was wanting to make up that Amount; The Chief immediately sent for Chatoo Chitty, but thrô the late Disturbances of Ally Rajah's taking the Princes Fort of Coddala, he co'd not possibly come to us before Yesterday, when We had some Discourse with him about it; & to day he is come to offer us Four hundred Candys of Pepper in Loan; after many Arguments with him about the price, he positively Insists on Seventeen Venetians ℔ Candy, We Debating

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thereon, & Considering there is no prospect of a good Crop the Ensuing Season, do Unanimously AGREE to take of him the said Quantity at that Rate to be deliver'd as soon as the Season will permit; We obliging ourselves to pay the whole Amount of it by the last of October, or otherwise from that time to allow Interest, one ℔ Cent ℔ Mensem, but sho'd We receive wherewith to Enable us to pay it off before, We are then to do it; Rupees he is to take at fanams 5⅛. Dollars at 11. Venetians at 20¼ & Gubbers at 20 & if We sho'd have any other Coins, they are to be valued as they will produce in the Country.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

MONDAY 19TH. This day Dispatch'd the Onore Pattamars, acknowledging the receipt of the Letters receiv'd from the Chief & Factors there under the 21st. Aprill & 27th. ult°. enclosing a paquet for the Hoñble Presidt. & Councill of Bombay, advising them the needfull, acknowledging the receipt of their Two Letters of the 13th. & 29th. Aprill, with Duplicate of the latter which was forwarded from Onore the 27th. ult°. & sent them the following Papers Vizt.

Samorine Rajah's Account Current with the Hoñble Company made up to the 15th. Aprill 1727.

Copy of the Chief's Ola to the Samorine Dated Aprill 21st. 1727.

Generall Paymaster his Account of May 1727.

Two Letters from the French at Mihie with our answers dated the 14 & 15 Inst. O.S. 25 & 26 N.S.

Tellicherry Account Current with Bombay made up to the last of May 1727.

Indent for Stores.

Ditto for Medicines.

The Doctors Letter to the Chief [&] Factors Dated June 9th. 1727.

An Account of Medicines receiv'd from Bombay ℔ Compton.

Ditto bought out of the Wyndham.

Stewards Account of Water Supply'd the Bombay Gally and Victoria Grab.

SATURDAY 24TH. Receiv'd a Letter from the Chief & Factors of Anjengo of the 1st. Inst. Enclosing a Packet for Bombay; They inform us the Stanhope did not leave them, 'till the 24th. by reason of the Bad Weather, that the Country thereabouts has been the Seat of War for some time, which however, has had no ill Effect on their Trade which never was more free.

MONDAY 26. Wrote a Letter to the Chief & Factors at Onore, enclosing a paquet receiv'd from Anjengo for Bombay, to which, with ours before sent We desired a speedy Dispatch might be given.

TUESDAY 27. Answer'd the Anjengo Letter receiv'd the 24th. Informing them their Paquet was forwarded to Onore Yesterday, We likewise advised them of the State of this Country.

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SATURDAY 1ST. AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*

THE RT. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read approved our last Consultation.

We have certain Information this morning that one Chaly Cunhussa a Moor Merchant & an Inhabitant of this place, was in his way inland Stopt by Curringhoda's Nayrs, & forcibly carry'd to his Fort of Curichy where he is detain'd in a Close Prison; This man has lived upwards of 10 years under our protection, & as he was Subject to none else, We are all of Opinion [We] ought to demand his Release, especially as We have never offer'd the least Violence to any one that comes within our Districts; The Chief Proposes sending forthwith to the French to desire they will oblige Curringhoda to dismiss him, or not take it ill if We Resent the Hostility in the manner it requires; & as they seem to take him & his Country under their Protection, they certainly are in reason answerable for the Violencys he Commits, & 'tis of them therefore We must demand Justice; AGREED that We write the following Letter.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

TO MR. TREMISOT CHIEF FOR AFFAIRS OF
THE ROYALL COMPANY OF FRANCE &CA.
COUNCIL AT MIHIE.

SIR & SIRS,

We have this morning receiv'd certain Intelligence that one Chala Cunhusa, a Moor Merchant of this place that has lived under our protection upwards of Ten Years was in his way inland, near Codary, seizd by some of Curringhoda's Nayrs & carry'd forcibly to Curichy, where he now remains closely Confin'd, & very ill Treated; We are greatly Surprized at this proceeding, especially since you have often advised us, that said Curringhoda & his Country are under your protection, & 'tis to you therefore We apply, desiring you will Cause the man to be immediately releas'd; as our Endeavours are wholly employ'd to preserve Peace & Union, We hope you will Concur with us in the same, & prevent any Interruption or Impediment to Merchants who are so necessary for us both, & indeed in no wise permit of any Hostilitys, since We on our parts are far from giving the least occasion; your Complyance herein will oblige us to be

SIR & SIRS,
Your very Humble Servants
ROBERT ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

TELLICHERRY.
JULY 1ST. 1727.

DITTO DIE. As We were preparing to send the above away, the Moor Chale Cunhussa appeard, advising he had been detain'd inland by Curringhoda's people, & upon the Receipt of an Ola from said Curringhoda, who being apprized of his belonging to us he was releas'd.

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AT A CONSULTATION

TUESDAY 4TH.

*Present*

THE RT. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

The Generall Paymaster his Account of Disbursements for last Month being laid before the Board, & the Chief's Account of Cash, they were [both] Examin'd & Passed ; & the Amount of the former was Directed to be paid off ; Copy of the latter & abstract of the former are Enter'd hereafter.

*Adjourn'd.*

ROBT. ADAMS.
JOHN JOHNSON.
STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES.
HUGH HOWARD.

CASH.

Dr.

| | | Fanams. | Tar. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1727. JUNE 1st. | To Ballance ... ... ... ... ... | 40539 | 12 |

RUPEES.

Dr.

| | | Rupees. | qr. | Rae. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1727. JUNE 1st. | To Ballance ... ... ... ... ... | 11021 | 0 | 20 |

TELLICHERRY.
JUNE 30TH. 1727.

PER CONTRA.

Cr.

| | | | Fanams. | Tar. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | By Garrison Stores for 40 Buckets from Mangalore ... | | 43 | 12 |
| | By Stephen Law Paymaster this month ... ... | | 5000 | — |
| | By Garrison Stores Vizt. | | | |
| 20 | Lead Nails for Lanthorns ... ... | 0 4 | | |
| 200 | Sail needles ... ... ... ... | 48 00 | | |
| 2 | Palms ... ... ... ... ... | 4 00 | | |
| 5 | Time Glasses 2 [hours] each ... ... | 15 00 | | |
| | Globe Brass Lamp ... ... ... | 22 00 | | |
| 40 | Large Sword Blades to make Danish Halbards ... ... ... ... | 520 00 | | |
| 1½ | Maunds Iron Hoops for Ditto ... ... | 18 00 | | |
| | | | 627 | 4 |
| 1 | Muscovy Lanthorn ... ... ... ... ... | | 19 | 4 |
| JUNE 30. | By Ballance ... ... ... ... ... ... | | 34849 | 8 |
| | | | 40539 | 12 |

PER CONTRA.

Cr.

| | | Rupees. | qr. | Rae. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | By Stephen Law Paymaster ... ... | 2900 | 0 | 00 |
| JUNE 30. | By Ballance ... ... ... ... ... | 8121 | 0 | 20 |
| | | 11021 | 0 | 20 |

ERRORS ERRORS [*sic*].

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ROBERT ADAMS.

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ABSTRACT OF THE GENERALL PAYMASTER HIS ACCOT. DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE MONTH JUNE 1727.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Garrison Charges ... ... ... ... ... .... | 12943 | 1 | — |
| Fortification & House Repairs ... ... ... ... | 2064 | 3 | — |
| Board Wages ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1500 | — | — |
| Hospitall Charges ... ... ... ... ... ... | 647 | — | — |
| Charges on Merchandize ... ... ... ... ... | 95 | — | — |
| Stable Charges ... ... ... ... ... ... | 277 | — | — |
| Servants Wages ... ... ... ... ... ... | 948 | — | — |
| Petty Charges ... ... ... ... ... ... | 617 | 12 | — |
| Tellicherry fanams ... | 19092 | — | — |

Receiv'd a Letter from our Callicut Linguist of the 6th. Inst. advising that he has not yet receiv'd any answer from the Samorine, [he] has been very pressing with the Customasters for mony & at last with great difficulty has got a Grant for 8000 Fanams, which lye in the hands of Some Shroff & Banyans to be paid thē last of the month, which if he receives he will give us notice that we may put the same to the Samorine's Account. MONDAY 10TH.

Answer'd the above Letter, Directing him to use his utmost care to secure said mony. TUESDAY 11TH.

Receiv'd on Ola from the Samorine in answer to what the Chief wrote from Callicut under the 21st. Aprill, Translate whereof is as follows. MONDAY 17TH.

"I have receiv'd yours & observe my Ministers have Settled the Accounts you "are very well acquainted with, my present Circumstances & therefore I greatly "desire to see you to discourse of the necessary matters, 'tis my Inclination to pre- "serve the Company's Friendship and to obtain their good Will, & 'tis for this "reason I am so Sollicitous to see you; as to the Mother Queen's Debt, King of "Punitures, & Durmett Ponycarrees, I was ignorant thereof 'till you now advised "me, 'tis of them severally you must demand them, but to Consult of these & other "things I wait for your coming to me."

Receiv'd a Letter from Mr. Secretary Lambton of the 16th. May with a Calculate of our Expences monthly, the reason of our not receiving it with the Generall advices of the 29th. Aprill which mention it to be enclosed, he Imputes to an Omission in his Deputy. TUESDAY 18TH.

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AT A CONSULTATION WEDNESDAY 19TH.

*Present*

THE RT. WORSPLL. ROBERT ADAMS ESQR. CHIEF.
JOHN JOHNSON. STEPHEN LAW.
WM. FFORBES. HUGH HOWARD.

Read & Approved our last Consultation.

The Calculate from the Honble President & Councill of Bombay in regard to our Expences, coming to hand Yesterday, The Chief Summons this Meeting to Consider & resolve on the most proper means to Comply with the same as much as

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is possible. In the first place the Garrison are required to be paid & the number of the same Stated as follows Viz$^{t}$.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 2 | Commanding Officers at ... ... ... ... | 228 | 8 |
| 2 | Ensigns at ... ... ... ... ... ... | 170 | — each. |
| 10 | Serjeants at ... ... ... ... ... | 81 | — |
| 10 | Corporals at ... ... ... ... ... | 55 | — |
| 10 | Rounders at ... ... ... ... ... | 50 | — |
| 4 | Drummers at ... ... ... ... ... | 100 | — in all. |
| 30 | Europeans at ... ... ... ... ... | 41 | — |
| 20 | Mustees not to Exceed ... ... ... ... | 600 | — Fanams. |
| 150 | Tapasses at ... ... ... ... ... | 20 | — fanams each. |
| 238 | | | |

The severall Deductions in the Pay will greatly Discontent the whole Garrison, but in a more especial manner the Europeans mustees & Topasses, who are under articles to Serve us at the Rates stated in the Paymasters Accounts, now if we should offer to put this order in Execution so contrary to our Settled Agreement they are by all Humane Laws free from their oblgiation, and Consequently at Liberty to go where they please, & should they be inclined to leave us as We have just reason to apprehend they may, the Security of this Settlement is lost, & our Enemys are so many that it would be a Gratefull occasion for them to accomplish our Destruction, The French by our best advices give their Soldiery rather more than We, & certain We are that they continue Entertaining all our Deserters, so that the Garrison will be Encouraged to repair to them, & they upon such an occasion undoubtedly would Grasp the opportunity of employing them purely to distress us; The Officers We are sure have a true Zeal for the Service, & therefore We sent for them to have their opinion, who do Concur with us that the Soldiery will certainly forsake us if We Lower their Pay, all these reasons being consider'd & fully Debated; We Unanimously AGREE to Set these things in a true Light to the Hoñble President & Councill of Bombay & wait for their answer, & in the mean time to reduce only the Serjeants, Corporalls and Rounders to the Calculate Rates which is to take place this month of July, & as to the number of Men 'tis obvious to us all those We now have are not sufficient to [Relieve] our Garrisons. The Gunner & his Crew are next to be observ'd, who being sent for & Inform'd his Pay is to [be] no more than 200 fanams ℔ mensem, without any allowance of Dyet, he express'd a great Concern that any alteration sho'd be made after so long a Service, & indeed appeal'd to us if his Diligence & Care did not Deserve what has been given him, and as Provisions & other necessarys are very dear, he cannot possibly maintain himself with the Sum now Order'd, & therefore modestly desired, he might be permitted to seek for something more advantagious, after some Debate thereupon & Considering his steady Industry, Capacity & Care, as well as that We cannot get any one so proper; We AGREE to continue him till We have an answer from Bombay. The Places We are under a necessity of keeping for our Security, do likewise require the continuing the same number of men, so that 'tis Impossible to reduce 'em while those Posts are kept.

The present number of Smiths are Two Europeans & Two Mallabars Amounting to Two hundred Seventy two fanams which We are directed to reduce to Seventy five Fanams, We have now One Armourer at One hundred, a Black Smith at One hundred & twenty & Two Mallabars at Fifty two fanams; The Black Smith is now in a very deep Consumption & 't woul'd be Cruel to deprive him of this support but We AGREE to Strike him off when an occasion offers for his going away, that is if his Weak Condition will allow of it, his Agreement being to Serve us at the above Pay, & not to be turn'd off, but when an opportunity presented for his getting away, The Mallabars are only assistants, in no Capacity to mend Arms & As there is a Continuall Repairs required for them, We cannot possibly turn away the [Armourer,] nor is it in our power to get any Black Men verst in the Business, even though We were inclined to give 'em extraordinary Wages; So that [unless] We are Supply'd from Bombay with such, We shall be under a necessity of

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continuing the Armourer, & the Two Mallabars at the Expence of One hundred & Fifty two Fanams ℔ mensem.

The Allowance hitherto Granted to a Storekeeper is now ORDER'D to Cease, & a Covenant Servant to Discharge that Trust without any additional Pay; This being Debated, M^r^. William Forbes is chose for that Employ, & is to Commence the 1^st^. of next Month, taking due care that he receives the severall particulars according to the Account Standing on our Books; The Hoñble President & Councill do allow of Seven Men to clean Arms &c^a^. at 150 fanams ℔ mensem, that is One Scabbard maker at 30. & Six Men at 20 each; our present Rates are One Scabbard maker at 30. One Polisher at 30. & Five Topasses at 22 fan. each the Two former are very usefull, & will not Serve at less Pay, which obliges us therefore to continue them on the same footing, as well as the Topasses for the same reason as those of the Garrison amounting to 172 Fanams.

The Carpenters are ORDER'D to be reduced to 4 in Number, & at 120 fanams ℔ Mensem We have at present 5. at 100 fanams for Two, 2 at 30 each & 1 at 22 fanams, the former have been 17 Years in our Service & Capable men, & as We have frequent need of Stocking Arms, making Turee [*sic*] &c^a^. We cannot Conveniently spare them, nor will they Serve at less Wages, therefore, We AGREE to continue them, & one at 30 fanams, Amounting to 130 fanams, as well as the widdow Pentioner whose Husband was Blown up [in the] William Gally & is by Age render'd inCapable of obtaining Support.

The Charcoal, [Oyle] to Clean Arms, [Brooms] & Pots are Incident Charges & therefore not to be Rated, but due Care [should] be taken that the Expence is not more than actually necessary.

Oyle & Candles for the Garrisons are not to Exceed 100 fanams ℔' mensem, but at present We are obliged to give the following Allowance & indeed less cannot Serve.

2 Candles for Tellicherry Guard & Gunroom.
1 Moylan Guard.
1 Putinha.

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4 ℔' day is 120 ℔' m^o^. w^t^. nearest.

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1 m^d^. & Valued ... ... ... ... ... 60

Oyle For Tellicherry Guard Gunroom, Gateway & Outgard 2½ Bottles ℔ Day
1 Moylan Fort & Gun room
½ for Putinha
1 for Moohara & Codolee

5 Bottles are 2 Cuttys at this time valued.

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at ¾ Fanams ℔ Cutty 'though sometimes rises to 2 Fanams but at the present value amounts to Fanams ... ... ... ... 45

Fanams ... 105

For the keeping Codolee We are directed to allow no more than 250 Fanams that place has now 40 Men in Pay, of which only 30 are on Constant Duty, & if We make any Deductions, the men will be proportionably less, & through the Weakness thereof may be lyable to be taken, so that We cannot Secure it under what it is now at 300 fanams ℔ mensem; Narrangport Nayr must be kept in our Interest, to do which he has been allow'd 500 fanams monthly & he Garrisons Moohara, & has Ten men daily at Putinha, so that We shall continue his allowance agreeable to the Liberty given us from the Honourable President [Council] The 15 Moors amounting to 192 fanams are employ'd in Watching the River's Mouth, but are now ORDER'D to be Struck off [&] is very proper [to] have people [there] since the Fort of Codolee (is) not near enough to Command it & We AGREE to have for the (store) Seven Men, One at Twenty four fanams, & Six at Twelve ffanams each, in the whole Fanams Ninety six, to take care of that Post.

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The Hospitall Pay is now for 1 Surgeon, 1 Mate, 1 Assistant, 1 Country Doctor & 4 Cooleys, amounting to 353 fanams which are all so necessary as not to be [Reduced,] & the Petty Charges are more or less in proportion to the number of the Sick, & therefore to be accordingly allow'd of, in which is Included a Certain Dyet mony of One hundred & Fifty ffanams ℔ mensem.

Board Wages is allowed at 1500 fanams ℔ Mensem Servants Wages are allow'd 958 fanams but through the Death of a Nayr 'tis reduced to 948.

Charges of Merchandize is allow'd for.

3 Servants in the Warehouse & Oyle 90 fanams, but We are obligled to pay 2 Weighers at 75 fanams, & 2 Pondarrys to be there constantly 20 fanams, & Oyle 2 fanams so that the whole must stand (in) 97 fanams ℔ mensem.

Stable Charges has always been no more than what absolutely necessary, & We will endeavour to bring the Expence to the present allowance of 150 fan. ℔ mensem.

Petty Charges including 40 fanams for Candles for the Office is ORDER'D not to Exceed 500 fanams ℔ Mensem which We hope to bring within that Sum.

We have at present on our Rolls 2 Pentioners, the Widdows of Soldiers killed in the Wars at 20 fanams ℔ mensem, [ . . . . . ] 2 Invalids who are by a long Service render'd thro' Age Incapable of any Service [are allow'd] 24 fanams, all [these] Including the Carpenters [Widdows] [ . . . . . ] fanams ℔ mensem, which We are order'd to Strike off [ . . . . . e] will Quite Dispirit the Soldiery & give them a Bad [ . . . . . ] Service, We AGREE to continue them, & advise the Honble President & Councill thereof 'Tis to be observ'd in this Calculate there is no allowance made for the maintaining of the Redoubts of Putinha & Tirimalla, both which were Secured purely to prevent the evill designs of Curringhoda, & without doubt has the good Effect of keeping us out of a War, but should We Vacate them the same Inclination of his will Revive, & so an Unavoidable Rupture will Ensue, & as he is Watching for a favourable occasion, 'tis our Business to prevent him, which only can be done by keeping those places, but more especially Putinha; to Garrison which We are obliged to Hire the Natives, Sepoys &c$^{a}$. our Soldiers being too few; As to Tirimalla sho'd We throw it up, the Enemy may without hindrance, come so near us as to Annoy us, and quite, Stop our Communication inland, thereby hindring the bringing Provisions, which will be greatly felt in the whole place, & a farther prejudice will arise to those who have hired the Verge Ground thereabouts, as they will not be able to Gather their harvest nor We get [in] our Rents. AGREED therefore it continues at the present Expence of [ . . . . . ] fanams ℔ Mensem, & farther to demonstrate how Impossible it is to Garrison those places with the Soldiery, the following List Shews where they are Employd. Viz$^{t}$.

Fort Tellicherry.
. . Officer.
. 2 Serjeants.
( . . Corporalls.)
( . . . rs)
( . . . ers)
( . . . lls.)
( . . . n) Viz$^{t}$.
( . . . . . )
(...) Serjeants.
2 Corporalls.
2 Rounders.
1 Drummer.
48—40 Centinells.

Putinha.
1 Serjeant.
1 Corporall.
1 Rounder.
30 Centinells.
33 ——
10 Men now at Agar.
——
143 Men.
20 Sick.
——
163
84 remain to Relieve.
——
247 Men which is the number on the Rolls for June 1727.

By the above List it plainly appears how few Men We have for the defending the Severall places, & as the . . . .

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